

ATTACHMENT 7

State of Louisiana House of Representatives



2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 227

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

A RESOLUTION

To recognize the Natchitoches Tribe of Louisiana as an Indian tribe.

WHEREAS, the Indian Removal Act of 1830 forced many Indians living east of the Mississippi River to sell their lands and move to less fertile lands on a Western reservation that would not be taken from them; and

WHEREAS, the five tribes most affected by the Indian Removal Act of 1830 through the loss of lives, homes, and land were the Chickasaw, Creek, Choctaw, Seminole, and Cherokee; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Removal Act of 1830 caused Indians living in the South to embark on what became known as the "Trail of Tears" from 1830 to 1842; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Indian Removal Act of 1830, many small groups of the five tribes escaped and crossed the Mississippi River into Louisiana and settled near the central and western part of Louisiana in the present-day parishes of Rapides, Vernon, Natchitoches, and Calcasieu, which was referred to as "No Man's Land" or "Rio Hondo"; and

WHEREAS, the Natchitoches Tribe of Louisiana exists today, and the tribe has full documentation of bloodlines of all tribal members, as well as many documented sources regarding the activities of the tribe; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the state of Louisiana recognize Indian tribes within its borders, to support their tribal aspirations, to preserve their cultural heritage and improve their economic conditions, and to assist them in the achievement of their just rights.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize the Natchitoches Tribe of Louisiana as an Indian tribe of the state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States and the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs are hereby memorialized, requested, and urged to take such steps as are necessary to effect the formal recognition of the Natchitoches Tribe of Louisiana as an Indian tribe, and to acknowledge that the rights of the Natchitoches Tribe of Louisiana are no less than those of other Indian tribes in the United States, and, accordingly, to take such executive or congressional action as may be appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the United States, the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation, and the director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior.



John J. McMan
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ATTACHMENT 8

R. Kyle Ardoin
SECRETARY OF STATE

State of Louisiana
Secretary of State



COMMERCIAL DIVISION
225.925.4704

07/23/2018

Administrative Services

225.932.5317 Fax

Corporations

225.932.5314 Fax

Uniform Commercial Code

225.932.5318 Fax

ONLINE FILING
NatchitochesTribeOfLouisiana@gmail.com

NATCHITOCHES TRIBE OF LOUISIANA

It has been a pleasure to approve and place on file your name change. The appropriate evidence is attached for your files.

Payment of the filing fee is acknowledged by this letter.

In addition to email and text notifications, business owners now have the option to enroll in our secured business filings (SBF) service. This service is available for a one-time fee of \$35 accompanied by a notarized affidavit. Upon enrollment, an amendment cannot be made to your entity without approval using your personal identification number. This is another way to protect your business from fraud and identity theft.

Please note that as of January 1, 2018, business owners in the following parishes will be required to file all available business documents online through **geauxBIZ**: Ascension, Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Lafayette, Livingston, Orleans, Ouachita, Rapides, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa and Terrebonne.

Online filing options are available if changes are necessary to your registration or if you need to file an annual report. Please visit our website at **GeauxBiz.com** for your future business needs.

Sincerely,

The Commercial Division
WEB



R. Kyle Ardoin

SECRETARY OF STATE

As Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana I do hereby Certify that

a copy of an Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of

LAC NOIR "BLACK LAKE" TRIBE OF NATIVE AMERICANS OF LOUISIANA

Domiciled at PIONEER, LOUISIANA, changing the corporate name to

NATCHITOCHE TRIBE OF LOUISIANA

Was filed and recorded in this Office on July 20, 2018.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on,

July 23, 2018

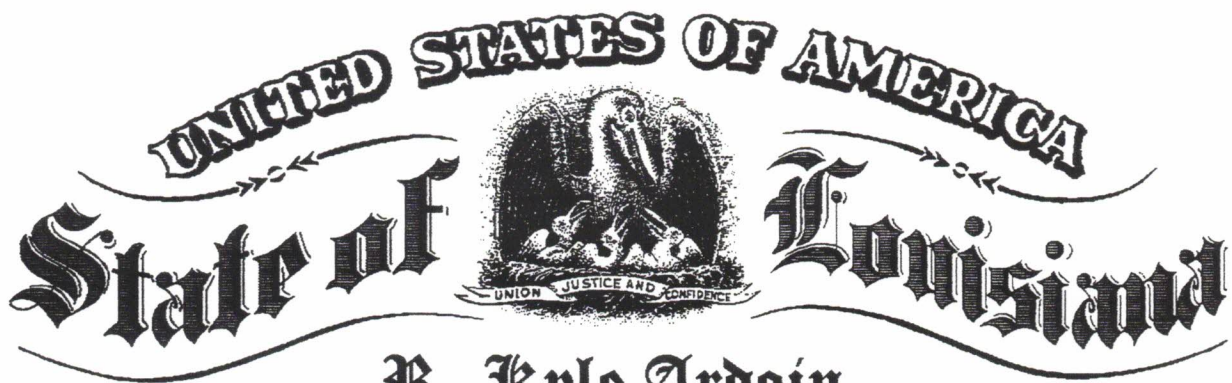
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R. Kyle Ardoin
SECRETARY OF STATE

As Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby Certify that
the attached document(s) of

NATCHITOCHE TRIBE OF LOUISIANA

are true and correct and are filed in the Louisiana Secretary of State's Office.

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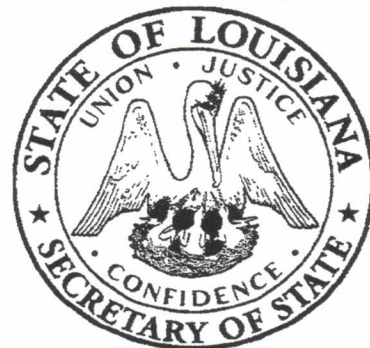
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STATE OF LOUISIANA
NAME CHANGE AMENDMENT

R.S. 12:238

Old Name:

LAC NOIR "BLACK LAKE" TRIBE OF NATIVE AMERICANS OF LOUISIANA

New Name:

NATCHITOCHEs TRIBE OF LOUISIANA

Date Amendment Adopted:

06/17/2016

Manner of Adoption:

NO SHAREHOLDERS, UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY DIRECTORS

The filing of a false public record, with the knowledge of its falsity, is a crime, subjecting the filer to fine or imprisonment or both under R.S. 14:133.

BY TYPING MY NAME BELOW, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I AM AN OFFICER.

ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE: BELINDA BROOKS (7/20/2018)

TITLE: VICE-CHIEF

NOTICE OF CHANGE

Charter Number: 42013374N

Name: NATCHITOCHES TRIBE OF LOUISIANA

ADDRESSES:

The street address (not a P.O. Box only) of the corporation's initial registered office is:

305 THIRD STREET
PIONEER, LA, 71266

Mailing Address:

C/O FRED DALE SIMON 305 THIRD STREET
PIONEER, LA, 71266

AGENTS:

Agent Name:

FRED DALE SIMON
305 THIRD STREET
PIONEER, LA, 71266

OFFICERS/DIRECTORS:

Officer/Director Name:

BELINDA BROOKS (VICE-PRESIDENT, DIRECTOR)
111 AIRPORT RD
OAK GROVE, LA, 71263

BELINDA SMITH (SECRETARY, DIRECTOR)
9910 HWY 150
SHEPHARD, TX, 773712294

PEGGY SMITH (TREASURER)
140 COX ST
CAMPTI, LA, 714114999

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TO BE ELECTRONICALLY SIGNED BY AN OFFICER OR DIRECTOR.

ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE: PEGGY SMITH (8/13/2018)

TITLE: TREASURER

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **OCT 23 2018**

NATCHITOCHES TRIBE OF LOUISIANA
PO BOX 85
CAMPTI, LA 71411-0000

Employer Identification Number:
81-2980752
DLN:
26053682006688
Contact Person:
CUSTOMER SERVICE ID# 31954
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
509(a)(2)
Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
October 04, 2018
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

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