

Stockbridge-Munsee Community

BAND OF MOHICAN INDIANS

TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICES

RESOLUTION

September 3, 2019

No. 067-19

WHEREAS, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, Band of Mohican Indians, is a Federally recognized Indian Tribe and the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council is the recognized governmental body of this community, and

WHEREAS, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council recognizes the need to eliminate race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images, and

WHEREAS, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council has consistently and continuously expressed opposition to the use of race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images by educational institutions, sports teams and other institutions, and

WHEREAS, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council identifies that race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images leads to stereotyping, and

WHEREAS, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council certifies that stereotyping has repercussions in physiological and cognitive performance domains, and

WHEREAS, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council asserts that it is unfortunate in this day of enlightenment and advances in society and government that race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images continue to appear in education, sports and other institutions in light of the knowledge that those race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images are offensive and derogatory, and sends a negative image and demoralizes the self-awareness of children, adults, parents, and communities with strong, positive and enduring cultures and histories, and


WHEREAS, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council continues to assert that race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images deliberately, and in a derisive manner, portray Native American Tribes, Tribal governments and Tribal cultures and should be rejected on all occasions and in all uses, so

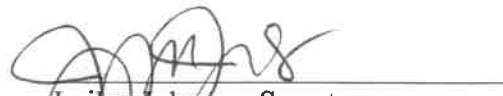
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council does hereby approves the elimination of race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images for the well-being of the greater community and respect for tribal sovereignty, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council does hereby reaffirm its stand in opposition to all uses of race-based Indian logos, mascots, names, and images as being derogatory and derisive and harmful to Native Americans, Tribes and tribal governments.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as secretary of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of 7 members, of whom 7, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and convened on the 3rd day of September; 2019, that the foregoing resolution was adopted by a vote of 4 members for, 2 members against, and 0 members abstaining; and that said resolution was not rescinded or amended in any way.


Shannon Holsey, President
Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council


Jerilyn Johnson, Secretary
Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council