Stockbridge-Munsee Community

BAND OF MOHICAN INDIANS

TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICES

RESOLUTION

September 2nd, 2025

No. 056-25

- WHEREAS, The Stockbridge-Munsee Community is a federally recognized Indian tribe with inherent sovereign powers and is governed by the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council pursuant to the 1937 Constitution, as amended;
- WHEREAS, The Stockbridge-Munsee Community has the authority under its Constitution and its inherent rights as a sovereign nation to adopt and amend Ordinances;
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council wishes to adopt the Stockbridge-Munsee General Welfare Ordinance, ADM.04;
- WHEREAS, Federal law recognizes the general welfare doctrine and that Indian tribal governments have a sovereign right to provide financial assistance to individuals on a non-taxable basis in certain circumstances; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council wishes to codify the general welfare doctrine in tribal law as well as how the Tribe establishes and operates programs consistent with federal law so as to ensure that assistance provided under general welfare programs is tax exempt.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council hereby adopts Chapter ADM.04, the Stockbridge-Munsee General Welfare Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council directs that the ordinance be submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for approval consistent with the Tribe's Constitution.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Council is composed of 7 members, of whom 7, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the 2nd day of September, 2025, that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 6 for, 0 against, and 0 abstaining.

Shannon Holsey, President

Virginia Ferrio, Acting Council Secretary