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PAIUTE TRIBE  
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CERTIFICATE OF RESULTS OF ELECTION

Under a Secretarial election authorized by Jessie Durham, Regional Director, Western Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, on 4/29/2024 the attached Amendment A to the Constitution and By-laws of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Nevada was submitted to the registered voters of the tribe and on 7/15/2024 duly adopted / rejected by a vote of 82 for and 34 against and 0 cast ballots found spoiled in an election in which at least 30 percent of the 311 registered voters cast their ballot in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended.

Colleen LaBalle  
Chair of the Secretarial Election Board

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Election Board Member

Joanne Shaw  
Election Board Member

Judith M. Davis  
Election Board Member

Date: 7/15/2024



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Proposed Amendment A:

Article III – Governing Body

Shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. The entire Tribal Council, including the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, shall be composed of ten (10) members, and shall be elected through secret balloting by the eligible voters of the Tribe.

- (a) **Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.** The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be elected through popular vote and each shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors are elected. Candidates for the offices of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be members of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, twenty-five (25) years of age or older at the time of election (see Bylaws, Article II-QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE), and must have lived continuously on the Pyramid Lake Reservation for not less than one (1) year immediately preceding the date of the election. The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson may serve any number of terms in succession.
  
- (b) **Council Members.** The Council Members shall be elected by eligible voters of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors are elected; except that at the December election following the adoption of these amendments half of the Council Members receiving the highest number of votes shall serve a two (2) year term and the remaining half shall serve a period of one (1) year. Candidates for Council Members shall be members of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, twenty-five (25) years of age or older, and must have lived on the Pyramid Lake Reservation for not less than one (1) year immediately preceding the date of the election. All Council Members may serve any number of terms in succession.

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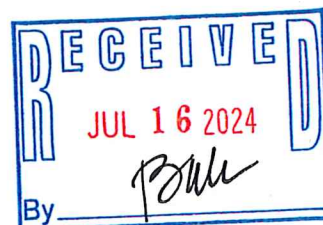
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Proposed Amendment B:

Article IV – Nominations and Elections

Shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. Any member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe who is twenty-five (25) years of age or older and who has maintained continuous legal residency on the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the date of the election, may announce his/her candidacy for Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, or Council Member by notifying the secretary of the Tribal Council, in writing, of his/her candidacy at least fifteen (15) days prior to the election. It shall be the duty of the secretary to post the names of all candidates who have met the requirements at least ten (10) days before the election.

Sec. 4. Any member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe who is eighteen (18) years or older shall be considered eligible and entitled to vote.

Sec. 5. Voting at special and tribal elections is conducted at a designated polling place or by absentee ballot for eligible voters as defined in Article IV, Section 4. The Tribal Council may approve an ordinance defining the definition and procedures for an absentee ballot.

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Under a Secretarial election authorized by Jessie Durham, Regional Director, Western Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, on 4/29/2024 the attached Amendment C to the Constitution and By-laws of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Nevada was submitted to the registered voters of the tribe and on 7/15/2024 duly adopted / rejected by a vote of 93 for and 23 against and 0 cast ballots found spoiled in an election in which at least 30 percent of the 211 registered voters cast their ballot in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended.

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Proposed Amendment C:

Article V – Vacancies and Removal from Office

Shall be added to read as follows:

Sec. 4. Each elected Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Council Member must maintain continuous legal residency on the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation for the entirety of their term, or shall be subject to removal.

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Under a Secretarial election authorized by Jessie Durham, Regional Director, Western Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, on 4/29/2024 the attached Amendment D to the Constitution and By-laws of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Nevada was submitted to the registered voters of the tribe and on 7/15/2024 duly adopted / rejected by a vote of 64 for and 52 against and 0 cast ballots found spoiled in an election in which at least 30 percent of the 211 registered voters cast their ballot in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended.

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Proposed Amendment D:

Article II – Membership

Shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. The Council shall have the power to propose ordinances governing future membership and the adoption of members by the Tribe, provided that no existing property rights shall be affected by this section.



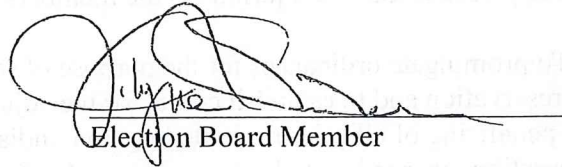
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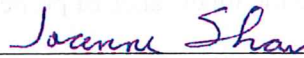
Under a Secretarial election authorized by Jessie Durham, Regional Director, Western Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, on 4/29/2024 the attached Amendment E to the Constitution and By-laws of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Nevada was submitted to the registered voters of the tribe and on 7/15/2024 duly adopted / rejected by a vote of 63 for and 37 against and 1 cast ballots found spoiled in an election in which at least 30 percent of the 211 registered voters cast their ballot in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended.



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Proposed Amendment E:

Article VI – Powers and Duties of the Tribal Council

Shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. To the fullest extent allowed under federal law, the Pyramid Lake Tribal Council shall exercise the following powers without need for approval of the Secretary of the Interior. Only those actions requiring Secretarial approval under federal law or regulation will be subject to Secretarial review and approval pursuant to the process prescribed by such federal law or regulation:

(h) To create and maintain a Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council Fund by accepting grants or donations from any person, State, or the United States, or by levying assessments of not less than ten cents or more than one dollar per year per capita on the qualified voters of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, and to require the performance of community labor in lieu thereof, or by levying taxes and license fees upon non-members doing business within the reservation.

(i) To provide by ordinance for removal or exclusion from the reservation of any non-member whose presence may be injurious to the members of the Tribe.

(j) To promulgate ordinances for the purpose of safeguarding the peace and safety of residents of the reservation and to establish courts for the adjudication of claims and disputes and for the trial and penalizing of all persons, including non-Indians, acting within the exterior boundaries of the reservation, charged with the commission of offenses set forth in such ordinances.

(k) To regulate the inheritance of property within the reservation.

(l) To provide by ordinance for the appointment of guardians for minors and mental incompetents.

Sec 2. Future powers-The Council of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe may exercise, subject to popular referendum, such further powers as may in the future be delegated to the Tribe by the Secretary of the Interior, or by any other duly authorized official or agency of Government.

Sec 3. Reserved powers-Any rights and powers heretofore vested in the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe but not expressly referred to in this constitution, shall not be abridged by this article, but may be exercised by the people of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe through the adoption of appropriate by-laws and constitutional amendments.

