



SAC AND FOX NATION

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(Stroud, Oklahoma) - The Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation unanimously voted to pass a resolution that states the Nation will not request to renegotiate the terms of the Tribal-State Gaming Compact. The resolution, voted on during a Business Committee meeting on July 24, 2019, responds to Oklahoma Governor Stitt's statements regarding the compact.

The resolution further affirmed that the compact's evergreen provision is clear and provides for the automatic renewal of the compact on January 1, 2020.

Principal Chief Justin F. Wood stated, "The Sac and Fox Nation remains dedicated to protecting the interests of our tribal members. Our gaming facilities provide much needed employment opportunities in central Oklahoma. In rural Oklahoma, the casinos are the cornerstone of economic growth. Increasing the exclusivity fees in the compact will negatively impact the Sac and Fox people, so I strongly oppose any proposed increase. The compact will automatically renew on January 1st; any other interpretation is legally inadequate. The Sac and Fox Nation already contributes to Oklahoma's economy, infrastructure, and culture and will continue to do so."

The Sac and Fox Nation is a federally recognized tribal nation of over 4,000 enrolled members. The Nation is led by the Business Committee, comprised of five elected officials: Principal Chief Justin F. Wood, Second Chief Audrey Rose Lee, Secretary Jacklyn King, Treasurer Jared King, and Committee Member Robert Williamson. The Nation's jurisdiction lies in portions of Payne, Lincoln and Pottawatomie counties, with the capitol complex located outside of Stroud.

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Attached: Resolution SF-19-197

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RESOLUTION SF-19-197

SAC AND FOX NATION
REGULAR BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING
SAC AND FOX RESERVATION
STROUD, OKLAHOMA

FILED

DATE 07-29-2019

SECRETARY
SAC & FOX NATION

Judith K. King

JULY 24, 2019

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE SAC AND FOX NATION WILL NOT REQUEST TO RENEGOTIATE THE TRIBAL-STATE GAMING COMPACT AND REAFFIRMING THE TRIBAL-STATE COMPACT WILL AUTOMATICALLY RENEW ON JANUARY 1, 2020.

WHEREAS, the Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation met in a Regular meeting held the 24th of July, 2019; there being a quorum present; and

WHEREAS, the Business Committee is authorized to transact business and act on behalf of the Sac and Fox Nation pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Sac and Fox Nation entered into a Tribal-State Gaming Compact (the "Compact") with the State of Oklahoma in 2005; the terms of which have been approved by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the Sac and Fox Nation's successful operation of its gaming enterprise has positively impacted Oklahoma's economy, created numerous jobs, and provided for essential services for tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Sac and Fox Nation and the State of Oklahoma have a government to government relationship and all interactions must be based in a good faith effort at direct communication; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the Compact allow both parties to request renegotiation of subsections A and E of Part 11 of the Compact. The Sac and Fox Nation has not received a specific proposal of terms for the aforementioned subsections from the State of Oklahoma; and

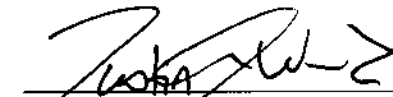
WHEREAS, the Business Committee opposes Governor Stitt's statements regarding an expiration date of the Compact. The evergreen provision of the Compact is clear and all conditions have been met; the Compact will automatically renew on January 1, 2020.

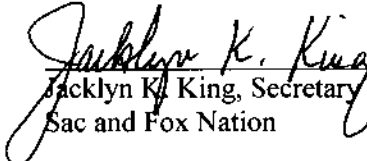
WHEREAS, the Business Committee finds it is not in the best interest of the Sac and Fox Nation to renegotiate the terms of the Compact.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Business Committee of the Sac and Fox Nation, pursuant to the authority vested therein by the Constitution, does hereby declare that the Sac and Fox Nation will not request to renegotiate the terms of the Tribal-State Gaming Compact and reaffirms the Compact will automatically renew on January 1, 2020.

CERTIFICATION

WE, Justin F. Wood, Principal Chief, and Jacklyn K. King, Secretary of the Sac and Fox Nation, do hereby certify **Resolution SF-19-197** to be true and exact as approved by the Business Committee in a Regular meeting held at the Sac and Fox Reservation, Stroud, Oklahoma on the 24th day of July, 2019, by the vote of: Justin F. Wood -Yes; Audrey R. Lee-Yes; Jacklyn K. King-Yes; Jared A. King-Yes; Robert E. Williamson-Yes.


Justin F. Wood, Principal Chief
Sac and Fox Nation


Jacklyn K. King, Secretary
Sac and Fox Nation

