

**WHITE EARTH RESERVATION BUSINESS COMMITTEE
WHITE EARTH BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS**

Resolution No. 001-24-011

WHEREAS, the White Earth Reservation Business Committee is the duly elected governing body of the White Earth Reservation pursuant to Article VI, Section 1, of the revised constitution of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, as amended, and organized under Section 16, of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), and

WHEREAS, the White Earth Reservation Business Committee is the duly authorized governing body of the White Earth Band, and

WHEREAS, the White Earth Reservation Business Committee is charged with the responsibility of protecting and advocating for the health and welfare of White Earth Band members within the White Earth Reservation boundaries, and

WHEREAS, the White Earth Reservation in conjunction with Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, has established the Regional Native Public Defense Corporation so that Leech Lake and White Earth Band members criminally charged or in need of juvenile defender services may receive adequate public defender representation in State Courts, and

WHEREAS, the Regional Native Public Defense Corporation has a governing board that consists of appointed community members, and

WHEREAS, the White Earth Reservation Business Committee is in support of Veronica Newcomer to be appointed as a Regional Native Public Defense board member, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the White Earth Reservation Business Committee hereby Committee hereby supports appointing Veronica Newcomer as a board member to the Regional Native Public Defense Corporation.

We do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by a vote of 4 for, 0 against, 0 silent, a quorum being present at a regular meeting of the White Earth Reservation Business Committee held on November 29, 2023 in Newcomer, Minnesota.



Michael A. Fairbanks, Chairman



Michael LaRoque, Secretary/Treasurer