## Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

CLLO-2014-0918-01

DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2014

DATE: OCTOBER 17, 2024 AMENDMENT #1

## "ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)"

**WHEREAS**, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina ("Lumbee Tribe") is a recognized American Indian Tribe of the State of North Carolina, subject to the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina ("Tribal Constitution") and its inherent powers and self-government; and,

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section I of the Tribal Constitution delegates all legislative authority to the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina ("Tribal Council"); and,

WHEREAS, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina is charged with promoting quality health care and healthy lifestyles within Lumbee tribal communities through research, technology, education and advocacy to reduce health disparities, misclassification in Lumbee identification in health data collected by health service agencies and programs and to increase health programs and services available to the Lumbee Tribal membership in Robeson, Scotland, Hoke, and Cumberland counties.

This mission will be accomplished through the strengthening of relationships between federal, state and local health care agency collaboration and the writing and successful funding of grants to implement health services directly to the Tribal membership.

The LHB will monitor health data collected at the federal, state and local levels to include:

- 1. Identify and work in collaboration with all Lumbee health professionals.
- 2. Collaboration with health and human service agencies at the federal, state and local levels and all educational institutions and private researchers to achieve more tribally specific healthcare.
- 3. Work with university level advancement offices to advance American Indian students entering the health professions, and health professional schools and to increase the number of American Indian students entering and graduating with health professional degrees in order to provide direct health services to its Tribal membership.
- 4. Focus of this Lumbee Health Board will be to close the gap in the areas to be included but not limited to:
  - a. Wellness and Disease Prevention
  - b. Cancer
  - c. Heart Disease
  - d. Chronic Disease
  - e. Oral Health
  - f. Eye Health
  - g. Environmental Health
  - h. Infectious Disease
  - Substance Abuse
  - j. Mental Health
  - k. Physical Health
  - Clinical Trials

**THEREFORE**, Be it enacted by the Tribal Council as the governing body of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina the following ordinance that shall be cited as **"ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONS OF A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)."** 

#### Section 1: PURPOSE

The Lumbee Tribal membership has faced disparities in all areas of health when compared to other races. The incidences of cancer, diabetes, stroke, and chronic illness have plagued our communities for centuries. Closing the health disparities gap will give our Tribal membership healthier and longer lives to share with family members and generations to come. Culturally sensitive health care programs, data and services are rights deserving of American Indian people in this country. The Lumbee Tribe through its sovereignty and right to implement its own programs and ability to determine their most pressing health needs. The Lumbee Health Board will make recommendations to Tribal Administration and the Tribal Council Health Committee regarding funds available through grants, strengthen partnerships with local, state and federal health care agencies, and provide an assessment of current and potential health care services available to its Tribal membership.

#### Section 2: MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Lumbee Health Committee will include: 1 Chair of the Tribal Council's Health and Human Services Committee, 1 Chair of the Tribal Council's Education Committee, 1 person representing a major health care organization, 1 medical doctor, 1 pharmacist, I nurse, I staff person, 2 community health, 4 additional health care subject matter expert representatives. This is a total of 13 people. Appointed members will serve a four-year term starting from their swearing-in date.

The Executive Council of the Tribal Council, in collaboration with the Tribal Chairman, will select the positions of Secretary of the Lumbee Health Board.

Their names will be located on the Lumbee Tribe of NC website.

#### **SECTION 3: THE LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD**

The LTNC Health Board will draft and recommend to the Lumbee Tribal Council any and all future health ordinances that will deal with the health and well-being of Tribal membership. These steps will lead our Lumbee people to a healthier and better quality of life, and will build the infrastructure to develop relationships with area health agencies and granting agencies as we expand the sovereignty of the Tribe.

#### **SECTION 4: PERFORMANCE REPORT**

The Chair of the Council's Health Committee shall provide a quarterly report to the Tribal Council of all Lumbee Health Board activities including expenses and revenues of such activities.

#### **SECTION 5: SAVING CLAUSE**

In the event that any phase, provision, part, paragraph, subsection or section of this ordinance is found by court of competent jurisdiction to violate the Constitution, laws or ordinances of the Lumbee Tribe of NC, such phase, provision, part paragraph, subsection or section shall be considered to stand alone and to be deleted from this ordinance, the entirety of the balance of the ordinance to remain in full and binding force and effort.

#### CERTIFICATION

THIS CLLO-2014-0918-01, "ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)"
AMENDED AT A MEETING OF THE TWENTY-ONE (21) MEMBER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE
OF NORTH CAROLINA WHERE MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, CONSTITUTING A QUORUM, THIS THE
DAY OF OCTOBER 2024, BY A VOTE OF 14 YES, NO, W ABSTENTION(S)

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ATTEST: DEWEY J. MCNEILL	DATE
SPEAKER, TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA	
ATTEST: ALBERT BAKER	10/17/2024 DATE
SECRETARY DESIGNEE, TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH	CAROLINA
ATTEST: JOHN L. LOWERY CHAIRMAN, LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA	DATE

## **POSTING**

THIS CLLO-2014-0918-01 "ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)"

duly posted on the 17 day of OCTOBER 2024. ATTEST: BELINDA BREWER
TRIBAL CLERK DESIGNEE, LUMBEE TRIBE OF MORTH CAROLINA

#### ROLL CALL VOTE RESULTS TO AMEND

#### CLLO-2014-0918-01

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14 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTENTION(S)

District 1:	Billy Oxendine	YES
District 2:	Graylen Mitchell	ABSENT
	Gerald Goolsby	YES
District 3:	Harold Smith	YES
	Pam Hunt	YES
District 4:	Jody Bullard	ABSENT
District 5:	Wendy Moore	ABSENT
	Carrington Locklear	YES
District 6:	Larry Chavis	YES
District 7:	Yvonne Dial	ABSENT
District 8:	Kathy Hunt	ABSENT
District 9:	Dewey J McNeill	YES
District 10:	Bobby Emanuel	YES
District 11:	Chocajuana Oxendine	YES
District 12:	Josephine Doss	YES
District 13:	Alex Baker	YES
District 14:	Homer Fields	YES
District 16:	Nanci Locklear	ABSENT
District 19:	Larry Soles	ABSENT
District 20:	Rudy Locklear	YES
	Kristie Hunt	YES



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The Desk of the Tribal Clerk

# **Record of Posting**

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