

# Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

RESOLUTION NO: 9-03-20A

## RESOLUTION DIRECTING RED CLIFF RESERVATION RESIDENTS TO STAY AT HOME

WHEREAS: the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, organized under a constitution adopted April 18, 1936, and approved June 1, 1936, pursuant to Sec. 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act, said Constitution having been amended by the Band on January 28, 1991, and said amendments approved by the Secretary on July 2, 1991, in accordance with the provisions of applicable federal law;

WHEREAS: the Red Cliff Tribal Council is the elected governing body of the Band; and

WHEREAS: the Tribal Council is vested with the authority to exercise the responsibilities of self-government and management over the Band's affairs pursuant to relevant provisions of the Band's constitution; and

WHEREAS: the Tribal Council has previously issued a shelter at home order in April of 2020 due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

WHEREAS: the COVID-19 pandemic continues, with cases increasing locally, statewide, nationwide and worldwide; and

WHEREAS: on September 3, 2020, the Red Cliff Community Health Center confirmed four additional positive COVID-19 cases within the community traced to a large off-reservation gathering with additional positive cases expected as testing continues; and

WHEREAS: the Tribal Council has determined that another shelter at home order is in the best interests of the Band and its members and is necessary to protect public health and safety;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Red Cliff Tribal Council does hereby order all persons currently living on the Red Cliff Reservation to stay home or in their place of residence except to engage in necessary activities and work, as described below, beginning on Friday, September 4, 2020 at 8 a.m. and until further notice; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that all persons subject to this order may:

- Leave their home or residence and relocate to a safe alternative home or residence, if their homes or residences are unsafe or become unsafe, including homes and residences in which persons have suffered from or are at risk of domestic violence, or in which safety, sanitation, or essential operations cannot be maintained;
- Engage in activities essential for the health and safety of family, household members and pets, including seeking medical or behavioral health or emergency services and obtaining medical supplies or medication;



- Obtain necessary supplies and services for family or household members and pets, such as groceries, food, and supplies for household consumption and use; laundry services; supplies and equipment needed to work from home; and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential maintenance of the homes, residences, and personally-owned vehicles;
- Care for a family member, friend, or pet in another household or residence, and to transport a family member, friend, or pet for essential health and safety activities, and to obtain necessary supplies and services;
- Engage in outdoor exercise activities, such as walking, hiking, running, or biking, but only if appropriate social distancing practices are used;
- Engage in ceremonial or religious activities;
- Gather food and medicines for traditional or agricultural purposes;
- Travel to exempted activities and travel to return to a home or place of residence; and
- Travel to and from their home or residence, place of work, and child care location, if their work duties cannot be performed at their home or residence and their work duties have been designated as essential by the Band, by any other governmental entity, or by an employer;

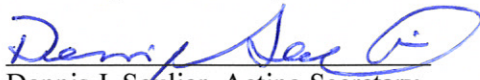
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that people at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19, such elderly people and those with underlying health conditions, are strongly urged to stay in their home or residence, except as necessary to seek medical care and obtain other necessities of life, even when the terms of this resolution would allow them to leave their home or residence.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Red Cliff Tribal Council encourages non-members to avoid travel to the Red Cliff reservation for any non-essential purposes; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that, in the interests of health and safety, the Tribal Council will use available means to enforce any mandatory self-isolation and/or quarantine of any tribal member(s) residing on the reservation that has traveled to and from any identified hot spot for the COVID-19 virus or has tested positive for the COVID-19 virus for a period of up to 14 days based on any recommendation(s) from the Red Cliff Health Department.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Red Cliff Tribal Council, do hereby certify that the council is composed of nine members (9), of whom 6 were present at a meeting duly called, convened and held this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2020, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted at said meeting by an affirmative vote of 5 members for, 0 against, and 0 members abstaining for the vote, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in anyway.

  
Dennis J. Soulier, Acting Secretary  
Red Cliff Tribal Council