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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPPORT OF
CITIZEN-OWNED BUSINESSES, ARTISANS, AND GATHERERS THROUGH
THE BUY NATIVE - BUY LOCAL FIRST ACT**

WHEREAS the _____ Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government on behalf of the _____ people;

WHEREAS the _____ Nation is a sovereign, federally recognized Indian Nation with a historic and continual government to government relationship with the United States of America;

WHEREAS it is time in our history to collectively reimagine the future we want to steward by uniting our citizens, governmental departments, enterprises, education institutions, and Native-led nonprofits to support and buy from citizen-owned businesses, artisans, and gatherers, so that our efforts are recirculated and reinvested, and our abundance remains here to strengthen our Nation's economy; and

WHEREAS the _____ Nation recognizes that citizen-owned businesses, artisans, and gathers play a central role in creating reciprocal prosperity, and contributes to building resilient places, and a restorative and diverse economy by Native design.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the _____ Nation hereby commits to support citizen-owned businesses, artisans, and gatherers by taking the following actions:

1. Adopt procurement policies committed to Buy Native and Buy Local First;
2. Commit to buy from its citizen entrepreneurs, artisans, and gatherers such items that embody the cultural heritage of the Native Nation and gift such items to visiting dignitaries;
3. Commit to promote and encourage purchase of items made by its citizen entrepreneurs, artisans, and gatherers to other such agencies as the Minnesota Governor's office, Minnesota US Congress/Senate and US Embassy commercial attaches working on the behalf of the _____ Nation's business interests worldwide;
4. Commit to post and make public all _____ Nation's Request for Proposals (RFPs) for purchases of products and services

on Nation's web site and make these purchases public to its citizens first;

5. Commit to cause a link to be created on Nation's website listing all citizen entrepreneurs, artisans, and gatherers living within the Nation's boundaries and off to further promote its citizens and expand their markets to other Native Nations, Native citizens, and surrounding economies and communities;
6. Commit to cause a publication to be created to promote its citizen entrepreneurs, artisans, and gathers living with and outside the Nation's boundaries to be distributed within the Nation and when traveling on Nation business;
7. Commit to create a Nation design that recognizes citizen entrepreneurs, artisans, and gatherers to create a brand that elevates the authenticity of their goods to a larger market;
8. Commit to increase Buy Native - Buy Local First purchases by 10% annually and publish the results of these increases and impact of purchases on the health and prosperity of its economy in the Annual State of the Nation's Address.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be policy of the _____ Nation until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

CERTIFICATION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Council of the _____ Nation that it hereby authorizes the Chairman, or in their absence the Vice-Chairman, to sign all documents needed to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was, on _____, 20XX, duly adopted by a vote of ___ for and ___ against by the Council of the _____ Nation.

Chairman of the Council

Secretary of the Council