



**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL
OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS TO
APPLY TO THE ANNUAL TRIBAL HISTORIC
PRESERVATION OFFICE GRANT FROM THE
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE TO FINANCE
THE THPO DEPARTMENT**

RESOLUTION 2024-50

Sponsored by Lindsey Harris

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribal Council is authorized by Article V of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians to represent and act in all matters that concern the general welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Tribe's governing body is the Delaware Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the National Historic Preservation Act [NHPA Section 101(d) (2)] was amended in 1992 to provide that federally recognized Indian Tribes may assume all or any part of the functions of a State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) with respect to tribal lands; and

WHEREAS, the 1992 amendments recognized that the national historic preservation program is strengthened by providing Indian Tribes with the opportunity to be full partners in the program; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe of Indians' assumption of these functions on our tribal lands is an exercise of our government-to-government relationship with the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, our tribal lands include all lands held in trust for the benefit of the Delaware Tribe of Indians outside the boundaries of an existing reservation and the jurisdictional boundaries of the Cherokee Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe of Indians desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of protecting and preserving Lenape history throughout our diaspora; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe Council and Staff have identified Historic Preservation and locating our Ancestors in need of reburial as a high priority need; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Tribe of Indians does not need to supply local matching funds to fulfill its share of obligation related to this grant application should the grant funds be awarded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Delaware Tribal Council of the Delaware Tribe of Indians does hereby authorize and approve the application submission for the Tribal Historic Preservation Office Grant, the maximum funding amount of \$85,333 from the NPS and designates the Executive Director of Tribal Operations as the Authorizing Official to sign all documents relating to the Tribal Historic Preservation Grant.