



Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe

Chief Michael Conners
Chief Eric Thompson
Chief Beverly Cook
Sub-Chief Agnes Jacobs
Sub-Chief Benjamin Herne
Sub-Chief Kenneth Jock

TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION

2020 - 17

DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR COMMUNITY OF AKWESASNE

WHEREAS, the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council (the "Tribal Council") is the duly recognized governing body of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe (the "Tribe") and is responsible for the health, safety, education and welfare of all community members; and

WHEREAS, the worldwide outbreak of the COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) Pandemic threatens the safety and well-being of the Akwesasne community; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and poses a higher risk to our elders and our community members who have underlying health conditions; and

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of COVID-19 emerged in China. The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency, as COVID-19 has yet to be adequately contained; and

WHEREAS, National, Provincial, State and local health officials have encouraged measures including COVID-19 prevention, response plans, and declaration of public health emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council, in collaboration with the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne (MCA), hereby declare a state of emergency for the community of Akwesasne due to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and
2. In accordance with the Akwesasne Joint Emergency Operations Plan (AJEOP), the governmental entities will coordinate efforts and call upon external resources, as necessary, to protect the health, safety, and well-being of our community; and
3. An Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is partially activated at locations by both the Tribe and MCA, and may be expanded based on future developments; and

4. The state of emergency shall take effect upon its signing and will remain in effect until the COVID-19 Pandemic no longer poses a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the Akwesasne community.

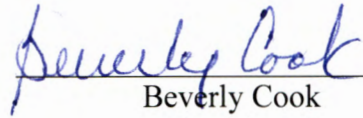
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Michael Connors
Tribal Chief

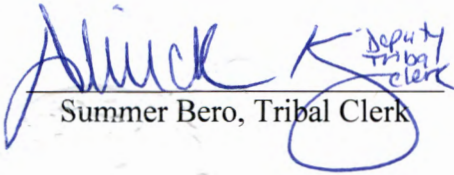


Eric Thompson
Tribal Chief

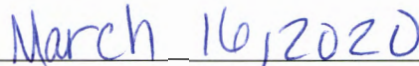


Beverly Cook
Tribal Chief

CERTIFICATION: This is to certify that the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council pursuant to the authority vested therein duly passed the above resolution.



Summer Bero, Tribal Clerk



Date