

**RESOLUTION OF THE SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE COUNCIL  
SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE  
OF THE  
SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE RESERVATION, NEVADA**

**RESOLUTION NO.: SL- 08- 2021**

**TITLE: ACCEPTANCE OF LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FROM  
MORISSET, SCHLOSSER, JOZWIAK & SOMERVILLE**

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe is organized pursuant to Section 16 of Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984) as amended, with the Articles of Association, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 08, 1965, granting certain powers to the Summit Lake Paiute Council; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Council has the responsibility for the general welfare of its tribal membership including tribal natural resources; and

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Council is the duly constituted governing body within the boundaries of the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Council has been organized to represent, develop, protect and advance the views, interest, education, resources, and general welfare of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe membership; and

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Council supports natural resources management that protects, conserves, and enhances plants and wildlife endemic to the Summit Lake basin and aboriginal area of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Council has organized a Natural Resources Department, headed by a Natural Resources Department Director, to provide technical expertise and services to manage air, water, soil, fish, wildlife, and plants within the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation and off-Reservation areas considered the aboriginal homeland of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe seeks Treatment As A State recognition from the Environmental Protection Agency for implementing and managing certain environmental programs; and

**WHEREAS,** gaining Treatment As A State recognition from the Environmental Protection Agency requires a letter from a lawyer who has analyzed the Tribe's authority to conduct business within the boundaries of its Reservation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe solicited closed bids to obtain this necessary legal service as outlined by the Procurement Policy, opened the bids at a Council Meeting on December 19, 2020, and selected the bid from the Law Office of Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak & Somerville; and

**WHEREAS**, the Law Office of Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak & Somerville submitted a Letter of Engagement as a form of contract to be signed by the Tribal Chairwoman.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby approves and accepts the Letter of Engagement from Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak & Somerville, and approves the \$5,000 retainer fee to be paid; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Summit Lake Paiute Council delegates communication with and outlining of the scope of work to be performed by Morisset, Schlosser, Jozwiak & Somerville to the Natural Resources Department Director in accordance with the needs of the Tribe; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Summit Lake Paiute Council does not waive, alter, or otherwise diminish its Sovereign Immunity, whether expressed or implied, by virtue of this grant agreement for any and all administrative or legal action which may arise directly or indirectly from the same.

### C-E-R-T-I-F-I-C-A-T-I-O-N

I, **Eugene Mace, Sr., Secretary/Treasurer** of the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby certify that the above Resolution No. **SL-08-2021** was brought before the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council at a duly held meeting on this **16<sup>th</sup>** day of **January, 2021** with **5** members of the Tribal Council present, constituting a quorum; with the following votes to enact Resolution No. **SL-08-2021**: **4** **FOR**, **0** **AGAINST**; and **0** **ABSTAIN**; with the Chairperson presiding and not voting and this resolution has not been rescinded, revoked, nor amended.

1/16/2021  
Date

Eugene Mace  
Eugene Mace, Sr., Secretary/Treasurer,  
Summit Lake Tribal Council