

LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA

CLLO-2014-0918-01

Date: September 18, 2014

**“ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF
A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)”**

WHEREAS, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, (“Lumbee Tribe”) is a recognized American Indian Tribe of the State of North Carolina, subject to the Constitution of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina (“Tribal Constitution and its inherent powers of self-governance); and,

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 1 of the Tribal Constitution delegates all legislative authority to the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina (“Tribal Council”); and,

WHEREAS, The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina is charged with promoting quality health care and healthy lifestyles within Lumbee tribal communities through research, technology, education and advocacy to reduce health disparities, misclassification in Lumbee identification in health data collected by health service agencies and programs and to increase health programs and services available to the Lumbee Tribal membership in Robeson, Scotland, Hoke, and Cumberland counties.

This mission will be accomplished through the strengthening of relationships between federal, state and local health care agency collaboration and the writing and successful funding of grants to implement health services directly to the Tribal membership.

The LHB will monitor the health data collected at the federal, state and local levels, to include:

1. Identify and work in collaboration with all Lumbee health professionals.
2. Collaboration with health and human service agencies at the federal, state, and local levels and all educational institutions, and private researchers to achieve more tribally specific healthcare.
3. Work with university level advancement offices to advance American Indian students entering the health professions, and health professional schools and to increase the number of American Indian students entering and graduating with health professional degrees in order to provide direct health services to its Tribal membership.
4. Focus of this Lumbee Health Board will be to close the gap in in the areas to be included but not limited to:
 - a. Wellness and Disease prevention
 - b. Cancer
 - c. Heart Disease
 - d. Chronic Disease
 - e. Oral Health
 - f. Eye Health
 - g. Environmental Health

- h. Infectious disease
- i. Substance abuse
- j. Mental Health
- k. Physical Health and
- l. Clinical Trials

THEREFORE, Be it enacted by the Tribal Council as the governing body of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina the following ordinance that shall be cited as “**ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONS OF A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB).**”

Section 1: PURPOSE

The Lumbee Tribal membership has faced disparities in all areas of health when compared to other races. The incidences of cancer, diabetes, stroke, and chronic illness have plagued our communities for centuries. Closing the health disparities gap will give our Tribal membership healthier and longer lives to share with families members and generations to come. Culturally sensitive health care programs, data, and services are rights deserving of American Indian people in this country. The Lumbee Tribe through its sovereignty and right to implement its own programs and ability to determine their most pressing health needs. The Lumbee Health Board will make recommendations to Tribal Administration and the Tribal Council Health Committee regarding funds available through grants, strengthen partnerships with local, state and federal health care agencies, and provide an assessment of current and potential health care services available to its Tribal membership.

Section 2: MEMERSHIP

The membership of the Lumbee Health Committee will include: 1 Chair of the Tribal Council’s Health and Human Services Committee, 1 Chair of the Tribal Council’s Education Committee, 1 person representing a major health care organization, 1 medical doctor, 1 pharmacist, 1 nurse, 1 staff person, 2 community health representatives. This is a total of 9 people.

Additional membership will be invited to serve on as needed basis when there is a need for specific health expertise. This expertise include, but is not limited to, health departments, hospitals, dentists, agriculture extension agents, farmers, NC Division of Public Health, NC State Center for Health Statistics, NC Office of Minority Health, universities, NC Office of Rural Health, Indian Health Service, Urban Indian Health Clinics, Veterans Clinical Based Facilities, US Department of Health and Human Services, and any other entity or organization with relevant expertise in a subject area.

The Executive Council of the Tribal Council, in collaboration with the Tribal Chairman, will select the positions of Secretary of the Lumbee Health Board.

Their names will be located on the Lumbee Tribe of NC website.

SECTION 3: THE LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD

The LTNC Health Board will draft and recommend to the Lumbee Tribal Council any and all future health ordinances that will deal with the health and well-being of Tribal

membership. These steps will lead our Lumbee people to a healthier and better quality of life, and will build the infrastructure to develop relationships with area health agencies and granting agencies as we expand the sovereignty of the Tribe.

SECTION 4: PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Chair of the Council's Health Committee shall provide a quarterly report to the Tribal Council of all Lumbee Health Board activities including expenses and revenues of such activities.

SECTION 5: SAVING CLAUSE

In the event that any phase, provision, part, paragraph, subsection, or section of this ordinance is found by court of competent jurisdiction to violate the Constitution, laws, or ordinances of the Lumbee Tribe of NC, such phase, provision, part paragraph, subsection or section shall be considered to stand alone and to be deleted from this ordinance, the entirety of the balance of the ordinance to remain in full and binding force and effort.

CERTIFICATION

THIS CLLO-2014-0918-01 "ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)", ADOPTED AT A MEETING OF THE TWENTY-ONE (21) MEMBER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA WHERE ____ MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, CONSTITUTING A QUORUM, THIS THE 18TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014 BY A VOTE OF ____ YES, ____ NO, AND ____ ABSTENTION(S).

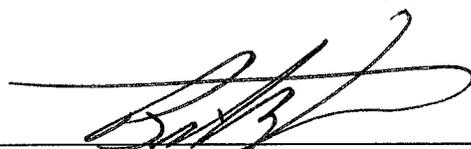

ATTEST: LESAUNDRI HUNT 9-23-14
Speaker, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina DATE

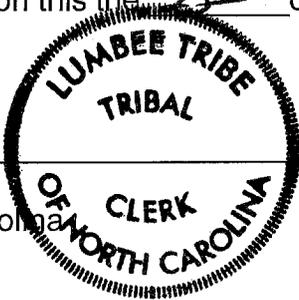

ATTEST: LINDA REVELS 9-18-14
Secretary, Tribal Council of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina DATE


PAUL BROOKS 10/23/14
Chairman, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina DATE

POSTING

This CLLO-2014-0918-01 "ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)", duly posted on this the 23rd day of September, 2014.


ATTEST: BILLY HUNT 9/23/14
Tribal Clerk, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina DATE





Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

The Desk of the Tribal Clerk

Record of Posting

Tribal Ordinance: CLLO-2014-0918-01

Posted Date: 9/23/14

Presented to Tribal Chairman for Review: 10/23/14

Signature or Veto date: 10/23/14

Reason for Veto:

Date presented to Tribal Council Liaison: 10/23/14

Date presented to Tribal Council Secretary (via mailbox): 10/23/14

Paul Brooks
Paul Brooks
Tribal Chairman of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

10/23/14
Date

Billy Hunt
Billy Hunt
Tribal Clerk of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

10/23/14
Date

**ROLL CALL VOTE RESULTS TO ADOPT
CLLO-2014-0918-01,
“ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF
A LUMBEE HEALTH BOARD (LHB)”
17 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTENSION(S)**

District 1:	Evan Davenport	YES
District 2:	Terry Hunt	YES
	Janie Oxendine McFarland	YES
District 3:	Lesaudri Hunt	YES
	Alton Locklear	ABSENT FOR VOTE
District 4:	Jonathan Locklear	YES
District 5:	Bobby Oxendine	YES
	Charles Bullard	YES
District 6:	McDuffie Cummings	YES
	Larry Townsend	ABSENT FOR VOTE
District 7:	Robert Chavis	ABSENT FOR VOTE
	Jan Lowery	YES
	Terry Campbell	YES
District 8:	Daniel Jones	ABSENT FOR VOTE
District 9:	Anita Hammonds Blanks	YES
District 10:	Terry Collins	NO
District 11:	Linda Revels	YES
District 12:	Areatha Patterson	YES
	Walter Lowery	YES
District 13:	William Maiden	YES
District 14:	Homer Fields	YES