



RESOLUTION OF THE MONACAN INDIAN NATION

A Resolution entitled “Removal of Council members Brian Watts, Courtney Derr, Melissa Camden, and Contessa Sancho, for malfeasance, sedition and failure to uphold their elected official duties.”

WHEREAS, The Monacan Indian Nation (“Nation”) is a federally recognized sovereign Tribal Nation headquartered in Amherst, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, The ByLaws governing the Nation, as submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs on January 24, 2018, state at Article 7. Section 3 (D) that a “Council Member can be removed from Council for malfeasance (wrongdoing) or nonfeasance (not doing their job).”

WHEREAS, The Tribal Council members Brian Watts, Courtney Derr, Melissa Camden and Contessa Sancho have knowingly committed sedition and/or malfeasance and/or nonfeasance by taking actions, and failing to take actions, that they knew would put the government of the Nation at risk, with specific intent to undermine the duly elected Chief, by the following seditious acts including, but not limited to:

- Sedition by falsely accusing the Tribal Chief, the Tribal Administrator and the Tribal Accounting Managing of committing criminal acts against the Nation.
- Sedition by setting up a false court without the proper authority in tribal meetings not duly authorized and presided over by the Chief or the people with the sole purpose of unduly removing the Tribal Chief and thereby attempting to incite the members to rebel against the Executive office of the Nation.
- Malfeasance and sedition by making false accusations to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Housing & Urban Development, Indian Health Services, the United States Treasury and the Office of Inspector General. No supporting evidence has ever been provided to any of these United States federal authorities.
- Malfeasance by Endangering federal funding.
- Malfeasance and sedition by providing confidential information to non-Council members, who have then posted said confidential information on social media (Facebook).
- Malfeasance, Non-feasance and sedition by allowing previously removed Council members, Susan Tyree (Resolution No. 20-1209-04) and Anita Mayo (Resolution No. 20-1209-03) to continue to hold themselves out as Council members including participating and voting in open and closed Council

meetings, Non-feasance by not requiring Susan Tyree and Anita Mayo to refrain from falsely holding themselves out as Council members, and Malfeasance and Non-feasance in the providing the Nation's confidential information to Ms. Tyree and Ms. Mayo.

- Malfeasance and Non-feasance by holding tribal meetings not validly convened by the Chief as is required at Article 5 Section 1 B of the Bylaws.
- Malfeasance by threatening the BIA with litigation (letter undated and received by the BIA on December 30, 2020 (Brian Watts) and dated February 9, 2021 (Wilson Pipestem)).
- Non-feasance and sedition by sending a letter to federal authorities falsely pretending to be the Assistant Chief without the Assistant Chief's knowledge or consent, and
- Sedition against the Monacan Indian Nation.
- Non-feasance by failing to comply with either or both Article 7. Section 1. Of the Bylaws of the Nation which require that "Council will hold an election within two (2) months to replace at least two (2) members if the Council has only seven (7) active members" and failure to appoint interim Council members to fill vacancies as required by Article 7. Section 3.C.1.b. as applicable as Council member numbers dwindled due to resignation or removal of Council members.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

"Tribal citizens reaffirm that both Susan Tyree (Term: 2019-2020) and Anita Mayo (Term: 2019-2022) were removed from elected office as Council members by the tribal citizens of the Nation through passage of Resolution No. 20-1209.03 and Resolution No. 20-1209.04, and by such removal are not eligible to continue to serve as Council members. Susan Tyree and Anita Mayo are further directed not to continue to hold themselves as Council members of the Nation."

AND IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED,

"Brian Watts (Term: 2020-2022), Courtney Derr (Term: 2018-2022), Melissa Camden (Term: 2018 to 2022), and Contessa Sancho (Term 2022 to 2024) shall be removed from elected office as a Council member for malfeasance, sedition and failure to uphold their elected official duties. Brian Watts, Courtney Derr, Melissa Camden, and Contessa Sancho are further directed not to continue to hold themselves as Council members of the Nation"

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chief of the Monacan Indian Nation do hereby certify that the General Council members were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 27th day of February, 2021, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 51 members, 2 members opposed, 2 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

ATTEST:



Chief Kenneth W. Branham