



UPPER MATTAPONI TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-16

ADOPTING THE UPPER MATTAPONI TRIBAL CODE OF LAW

A Resolution to approve the codification and online publication of the Upper Mattaponi Tribal Code of Law, managed by Open Law Library (OLL). OLL will ensure the laws are preserved, authenticated, and publicly accessible. Minor corrections for accuracy are authorized, and the digital version will serve as the official legal record of the Tribe.

At a duly called Regular Meeting of the Upper Mattaponi Tribe Council held this 26 day of October, 2024, the following Resolution and Law were adopted.

WHEREAS, the Council is vested with the legislative power of the Upper Mattaponi Tribe (“Tribe”) and has the authority to enact laws pursuant to Article VII, Section 4(a) of the Constitution of the Tribe (“Constitution”); and

WHEREAS, for the convenience of community and governmental operations, among other things, the Tribe desires to publish its resolutions and other laws of general applicability on the Internet; and

WHEREAS, Open Law Library (“OLL”) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit with the mission to help governments make all their official laws freely and openly accessible to the public in human and computer readable formats, and OLL develops and maintains software systems for the performance of this mission; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has retained OLL, under a federal grant, to codify the Tribe's resolutions and publish them as the Upper Mattaponi Tribal Code of Law (“Code”) in the new digital tribal law library that is accessible on the Tribe's Website; and

WHEREAS, OLL' s software is capable of ensuring that the published code is:

- (a) Preservable: All published laws will be maintained in a manner that meets or exceeds all requirements for level 2 preservation as specified by the National Digital Stewardship Alliance;
- (b) Authenticatable: All published laws will be authenticatable as the official laws of the Tribe. Authentication will use Open Law Library certificates; and

(c) Accessible: All published laws will be available to the public through OLL or the Tribe indefinitely.

WHEREAS, as part of this codification, the Tribal Council authorizes administrative corrections to replace inaccurate citations and references within the individual resolutions, update renumbering within and between resolutions, correct typos, and make other similar minor changes that do not change the substantive content of the resolutions that are part of the Tribal code.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council hereby approves OLL's publication of the Upper Mattaponi Tribal Code of Law in the Tribe's digital law library and approves OLL's maintaining and regularly updating the Code as necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Upper Mattaponi Tribal Code of Law, as published in the Tribe's digital law library, will be the official version of the Tribe's laws.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was duly voted upon by the Council on the 26 day of October, 2024, at a Regular Meeting with a vote of 7 in favor and 0 opposed, 0 abstaining, and 0 absent, pursuant to the authority vested in the Council by the Constitution of the Tribe.


Secretary of the Council or Designee

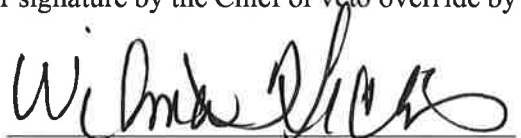
SPONSOR: R. Adams

COUNCILMEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Rob Adams	✓			
Ken Adams	✓			
Wilma Hicks	✓			
Sonny Knighton	✓			
Desirée Dyer	✓			
Owen Adams	✓			
Beth Gondos	✓			

ASSISTANT CHIEF (Authorized to break tie votes only): _____

DELIVERY OF THE RESOLUTION AND LAW TO THE CHIEF

Resolution No. 2024-16 was presented to the Chief of the Upper Mattaponi Tribe on the 30th day of October, 2024, pursuant to Article VII, Section 5(f) of the Constitution of the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, and will become effective after signature by the Chief or veto override by the Council.


Secretary of the Council or Designee

CHIEF'S ACTIONS:

- Approved
- Veto – Returned to Council with Explanation

On this 30 day of October, 2024.

W. Frank Adams
Chief

Presented to Chief and Council on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

COUNCIL'S ACTIONS:

Override of the Chief's Veto –

Yes

No

COUNCILMEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Rob Adams				
Ken Adams				
Wilma Hicks				
Sonny Knighton				
Desirée Dyer				
Owen Adams				
Beth Gondos				

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was duly voted upon by the Council on _____ day of _____, 2024, at a Regular Meeting with a vote of _____ in favor and _____ opposed, _____ abstaining, and _____ absent, pursuant to the authority vested in the Council by the Constitution of the Upper Mattaponi Tribe.

Secretary of the Council or Designee