

**HOOD RIVER COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION)
REGARDING THE LOCATION OF THE)
CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF) RESOLUTION # 1029
WARM SPRINGS PROPOSED CASINO)

WHEREAS, The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (hereafter referred to as Tribes) own land in Hood River County, east of the City of Hood River in the General Management Area of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area adjacent to the Mark O. Hatfield West Trailhead, acquired prior to the 1988 Indian Gaming Act; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes are in the process of purchasing additional nearby and adjacent lands; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes have also purchased Government Rock, an area suitable for a casino in the Cascade Locks area; and

WHEREAS, Government Rock is within the city limits of Cascade Locks, is in a designated urban area, yet is distant from residential and commercial activities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes have expressed their desire to establish a gaming casino in the Columbia River Gorge; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes has crafted a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Cascade Locks which includes recognition of Hood River County's needs and concerns; and

WHEREAS, a casino sited in the Cascade Locks area will have less impact on the National Scenic Area and Hood River County than it would on its proposed location site east of the City of Hood River; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes made an offer to the State of Oregon to trade their proposed casino land east of Hood River to the State in order to gain approval to place their casino in Cascade Locks; and

WHEREAS, public ownership of the site east of Hood River would continue to ensure scenic, recreational and natural resource protection and preservation of the National Scenic Area; and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 1998, the Hood River County Board of Commissioners approved a Resolution which states as follows: "The Hood River County Board of Commissioners opposed the development of a casino in Hood River County excluding the incorporated areas of the City of Hood River and the City of Cascade Locks."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Hood River County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chair of the Board and the Chair's designees to enter into negotiations with the Tribes, with the Office of the Governor of the State of Oregon, and with any other involved agency or group for the purpose of encouraging the location of the Tribes' casino in the Government Rock area in Cascade Locks, and discouraging its location on land acquired by the Tribes east of the City of Hood River.

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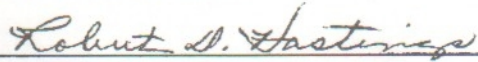
Adopted this 4th day of June 2001.



John R. Arens, Chair



Carol York, Commissioner



Robert Hastings, Commissioner

Chuck Thomsen, Commissioner



Les Perkins, Commissioner