

United Native Nations

Covenant of Friendship and Recognition Between Indigenous Peoples of the World

Preamble

Recognizing our inherent right to self-determination, the undersigned Indigenous Nations of the World, through our Traditional Tribal and/or Village Governments or Indigenous Entities, based on our ancient Culture, Heritage and Traditional Tribal Law, do hereby enter into this Covenant of Friendship and Recognition.

ARTICLE I

The governments or indigenous entities represented by the signatories to this Covenant recognize one another as the representatives of their People and their lands, waters and resources.

ARTICLE II

The undersigned shall endeavor to protect, preserve, advance and improve traditional territories and natural resources of the air, land and water.

ARTICLE III

The undersigned pledge mutual friendship and support to preserve and foster each People's communal knowledge and unique cultural, spiritual and political traditions.

ARTICLE IV

The undersigned shall cooperate to protect, advance and secure the Human Rights of the Indigenous Peoples.

ARTICLE V

The undersigned shall work together to encourage economic self-sufficiency through implementation of traditional trade and trading networks and development of new areas of exchange and commerce.

ARTICLE VI

The undersigned desire to join the United Native Nations and attest to that fact by placing our signatures below.

ARTICLE VII

This Covenant shall go into full force and effect when authorized representatives of ratifying Indigenous Peoples affix their signatures.

ARTICLE VIII

To further friendly and peaceful relations between the signatories to this Covenant, there may be an exchange of diplomatic notes, traditional signs and symbols and accreditation of representatives.

Done in duplicate this ____ day of _____, _____ at _____, _____ by the representatives of the Indigenous Peoples, Nations, Elders, Tribal and Village Councils, Heads of Large Families and Clans, Indigenous Entities and Organizations that are devoted to our ancient cultures.

_____ Signature _____ Position/Title

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