



# Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe

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## TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION

2025 - 17

### TO INCREASE THE TRIBAL FOREST CONSERVATION AREA SIZE TO ACCOMMODATE EXPANSION OF KAHRHAKÁ:ION NATURE TRAIL

**WHEREAS**, the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council (the “Tribal Council”) is the duly recognized governing body of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe (the “Tribe”) and is responsible for the health, safety, education and welfare of all community members; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the tradition of the Mohawk people to look seven generations ahead in making decisions that affect the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe’s common lands and natural resources are considered gifts that we pass down to future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, in TCR 2021-66, Tribal Council established a fifty (50) acre nature conservation area within the former Horst Wuerschling property (“Property”), now referred to as the “reacquired 1796 Treaty lands”, and stipulated that future development within the Conservation Area be limited to community walking trails; and

**WHEREAS**, On Kenténha/October 30, 2024, the Parks & Recreation Department opened the 1.3-mile long Kahrhaká:ion Nature Trail to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, based on sufficient available remaining funds in the original nature trail project budget, and based on the popularity of the new trail, the Tribe’s Parks & Recreation, Planning & Infrastructure, and the Executive Director’s Office have worked with engineers to design a trail expansion for the benefit of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, to accommodate the trail expansion, the size of the conservation area must be increased; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council recognizes the importance for future generations to have natural and undisturbed areas that shall remain accessible to the community.

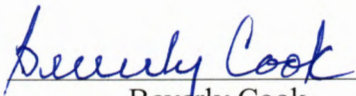
#### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council hereby directs the following updates for the conservation area:
  - a. Approximately fifty-seven (57) acres of land is declared a conservation area as described in the attached map, attached hereto and made a part hereof; and
  - b. This 57-acre Conservation Area will remain undeveloped except for community walking trails with appropriate accommodations managed by the Tribe’s Parks & Recreation Department; and

- c. No hunting or discharge of any firearm (pistol, muzzle loader, shotgun, and rifle) or bow hunting shall be allowed within the Conservation Area, nor shall be allowed within 500 feet of any dwellings adjacent to the Conservation Area; and
- d. Upon written request to, and approval by the Parks & Recreation Program Manager or Executive Director's Office, community members may sustainably harvest medicinal plants within the Conservation Area; and
- e. Signage will be installed on each side of the Conservation Area and on each side of all corners that can be reasonably identified. Signs shall be no more than 660 feet apart, and will be set close to or along the boundaries of the Conservation Area. The signs must be conspicuously installed high enough, and spaced closely enough to be seen.

2. this Resolution supersedes TCR 2021-66 and is effective upon signing and shall remain in effect unless modified, canceled or otherwise superseded.

**SAINT REGIS MOHAWK TRIBAL COUNCIL**



Beverly Cook  
Tribal Chief

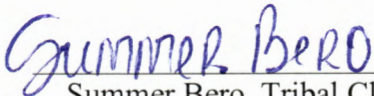


Michael Connors  
Tribal Chief

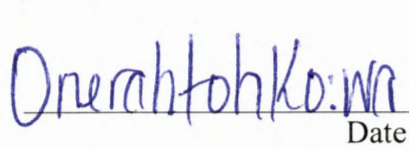


Donald Thompson, Jr.  
Tribal Chief

**CERTIFICATION:** This is to certify that the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council pursuant to the authority vested therein duly passed the above resolution.



Summer Bero, Tribal Clerk

 | May 22, 2025

Date



