

ORDINANCE OF HUALAPAI TRIBAL COUNCIL

An Ordinance to govern future membership, loss of membership and the adoption of members into the Hualapai Tribe

WHEREAS, Article III, Sec. 1 (a) of the amended Hualapai Constitution and Bylaws specifies that all persons who are members of the tribe as of the date revised constitution was approved shall be members, and

WHEREAS, it is believed that the requirements which had to be met to qualify for membership at that time, those which must be met at the present time, as well as the procedures to be followed in the future to establish eligibility for membership should be specified in this ordinance so that all persons may know them; now therefore,

BE IT ENACTED by the Hualapai Tribal Council that the following requirements specified in the Hualapai Constitution and the procedures prescribed herein must be met to establish eligibility for membership in the Hualapai Tribe:

Section 1. Persons eligible for membership.

- (a) All living persons of Indian blood whose names appear on the official census roll of the Hualapai Tribe as of January 1, 1938, except those individuals indicated as "NE", meaning not enrolled.
- (b) All living persons of 1/4 degree or more Hualapai Indian blood born to a member of the Hualapai Tribe after January 1, 1938, and prior to October 22, 1955, the effective date of the amended constitution.
- (c) All living persons of Indian blood who prior to October 22, 1955, were admitted to membership in the Hualapai Tribe by adoption.
- (d) Any child of 1/4 degree or more Hualapai Indian blood born on or after October 22, 1955 to a Hualapai tribal member who was or is a resident of the reservation at the time of the birth of the child.
- (e) Any child of 1/4 degree or more Hualapai Indian blood born to a non-resident member on or after October 22, 1955, provided that this is supported by a birth certificate complete as to form and submitted to the Hualapai Tribal Council confirming the requirements and qualifications for membership in the Hualapai Tribe.

SECTION 2. The following persons may be admitted to membership if the Tribal Council, by a majority vote, favors such admission:

(a) Any child of at least 1/4 degree Hualapai Indian blood born to a non-resident member between October 22, 1955, the effective date of the amended Constitution, and the effective date of this ordinance who has not applied for membership due to some reason but have proven eligibility through a birth certificate or some other document presented to the council.

(b) Any adult person of at least 1/4 degree Hualapai Indian blood who for any reason is not otherwise eligible but who can prove through records and relatives that he possesses the necessary requirements for membership in the Hualapai Tribe, provided, the person files with the Chairman of the Tribal Council, or any other officials of the council an application for enrollment on forms provided for that purpose. The Tribal Council may at its discretion hold hearings at a designated place where such applicant may appear and be heard before Council action for approval or rejection.

SECTION 3. Loss of membership and reinstatement.

Any member of the Hualapai Tribe who becomes a member of any other American Indian Tribe shall automatically lose his membership in the Hualapai Tribe. In case of dispute as to whether any particular person has lost membership in the Hualapai Tribe, the Tribal Council shall examine the available evidence and may by majority vote make a determination which shall be conclusive; provided that the Tribal Council shall issue a notice of its intention to consider the question of loss of membership, naming the person whose membership is in question in a newspaper of general circulation in Mohave City, Arizona, at least 30 days before voting on the matter. If the person named in the notice requests in writing within thirty days of the date of publication of the notice that he be heard, the Council shall give him an opportunity for fair hearing before making its determination.

Any person who has lost his membership in the Hualapai Tribe may apply for reinstatement at any time, following the procedure of Section 2 (b) of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

No person shall be given honorary membership in the Hualapai Tribe. No person shall be admitted to membership in the tribe, except in accordance with the specifications and procedures set out in the tribal constitution and in this ordinance.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing ordinances was on November 5, 1966 duly enacted by a vote of 6 for and 0 against, by the Hualapai Tribal Council, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article III, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Hualapai Tribe, as amended. Said ordinance shall be effective as of the date of its approval by the officer of the Bureau of Indian Affairs who is in charge of the Hualapai Reservation, provided such approval is given within 15 days after it is received by him, and pursuant to Article VII of the constitution of the tribe is subject to rescission by the Secretary of the Interior in the manner prescribed therein.

Corporate Seal:

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Rupert Parker, Acting Chairman
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