

1 WHEREAS, as the following are recognition issues: Raymond v.
2 Raymond, Ind.t 1897, 83F 721, 28ecA39.; Pape v. United States ccAWash
3 1927, 19F 2nd 219.; 25-184 Halbert v. United States, Wash 1931; Vezina v.
4 United States, Minn 1917; all of which confirm and strengthen the following:
5 one born of a white father and Indian mother, and is a recognized member of
6 the tribe of Indians to which his mother belongs, is an Indian..., United States
7 v. Higgins, Mont 1900; and

8 WHEREAS, today there exists the Four Winds Tribe, Louisiana
9 Cherokee Confederacy, a domestic nonprofit corporation, registered with the
10 secretary of state of Louisiana; and

11 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state of Louisiana to recognize the
12 Indian tribes within the borders of the state and to support their aspirations for
13 the preservation of their cultural heritage and the improvement of their
14 economic conditions, and to assist them in their just rights.

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana
16 formally recognizes the Four Winds Tribe, Louisiana Cherokee Confederacy.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does
18 hereby urge and request the government of the United States of America, and
19 particularly the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs of the United States
20 Department of the Interior and the members of the Louisiana congressional
21 delegation, to take such steps as are necessary to effect in the near future
22 formal recognition of the Four Winds Tribe, Louisiana Cherokee
23 Confederacy, and to acknowledge that the rights of the Four Winds Tribe,
24 Louisiana Cherokee Confederacy, are no less than that of other Indian tribes
25 in the United States.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be
27 transmitted to the president of the United States, the presiding officers of the
28 Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States,

1 and the director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, United States Department of
2 the Interior.

DIGEST

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Provides that the Legislature of Louisiana formally recognizes the Four Winds Tribe, Louisiana Cherokee Confederacy.

Requests the U.S. government, and particularly the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs of the U.S. Dept. of the Interior and the members of the Louisiana congressional delegation, to take steps to formally recognize the Four Winds Tribe, Louisiana Cherokee Confederacy.