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EXECUTIVES PRESENT:

PRESIDENT - TODD GATES
CLERK - LENITH WATERMAN
TREASURER - MAURICE JOHN, SR.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

SENeca NATION / SUPPORT FOR RESOLUTION NO. 08162017-B / DESIGNATING THE HOPEWell CEREMONIAL EARTHWORKS AND SERPENT MOUND IN OHIO AS WORLD HERITAGE SITES

MOTION: by Timothy Waterman, seconded by William Canella, that the Nation’s Council approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks, located in what is now the State of Ohio, comprise ten ancient Native American monumental earthwork sites: Serpent Mound, Fort Ancient, Mount City Group, Hopewell Mound Group, Seip Earthworks, High Bank Earthworks, Hopeton Earthworks, Octagon Earthworks, Great Circle Earthworks, and Wright Earthworks; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Interior has placed these ten ancient sites of Native American monumental earthworks on its Tentative List, and that this list has been submitted to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) for nomination to World Heritage status; and

WHEREAS, these sites, which were important ceremonial and social centers, "...are unique in their combination of vast scale, geometrical precision, incorporation of astronomical alignments, and broad geographic distribution"; and

WHEREAS, designation of these sites as World Heritage Sites will protect them from further development and destruction and preserve them as places of honor for indigenous achievement, both present and past; and
WHEREAS, the Council of the Seneca Nation acknowledges the historical and cultural significance of these sites and the importance of having them recognized with World Heritage Status; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Seneca Nation supports and encourages the designation of the Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks and Serpent Mound as World Heritage Sites.

ALL IN FAVOR MOTION CARRIED

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing extract is a true and correct copy from the minutes of the Regular Session of Council of the Seneca Nation of Indians held on November 15, 2017 on the Allegany Territory, original of which is on file in the Clerk’s Office of the Seneca Nation of Indians.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal to be affixed at the Seneca Allegany Administration Building, on the Allegany Territory, on the 20th day of November, 2017.

ATTEST:

LENITH K. WATERMAN, CLERK
SENeca NATION OF INDIANS

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