RESOLUTION NO. ______________________

Resolution for Adopting Elder Abuse Code

WHEREAS, the ________________ (“Tribe”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant to the most recent Federal Register; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has the authority, among other things, to "represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, and to make decisions not inconsistent with or contrary to the Tribe's Constitution and Bylaws;” and

WHEREAS, the Tribe by enacting this resolution to adopt legislation is recognizing the importance of protecting our elders from abuses and mistreatment; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is acknowledging that our elders are the link to our past, present and future, as valuable resources to the Tribe’s traditions, cultural and knowledge; and to ensure the spiritual, mental, physical and emotional well-being of our Elders, as a way to build a strong, unified, and self-reliant government through protection of our Elders; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Tribe to enact legislation regarding Elder protections, with criminal, civil and/or both criminal and civil penalties; and by adopting this legislation, the Tribe is making a strong policy statement that Elder abuse and mistreatment is not acceptable in our jurisdiction; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the ________ Tribe does hereby adopts the Title _______ (Number in the Code)-Elder Abuse & Protection Codes; with criminal and/or civil penalties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by the Tribal Council of the ________Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, or designee, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Secretary of ____________ Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of _____ (___) members, of whom ____, constituting a quorum, were at a Regular Council Meeting hereto held on the ____ day of ______ 20____, and that the foregoing Resolution No. ________ was duly adopted by a vote of FOR: ___; OPPOSED: ___; ABSTAINED: ___; of the Tribal Council pursuant to Article __, Section ____() of the Constitution and Bylaws of the ___________Tribe, effective (date).

_______________________________ (Signature Line)
______________________________ (Chairman or President)
(NAME OF TRIBE)

______________________________ (Signature Line)
______________________________, Secretary/Treasurer
(NAME OF TRIBE)