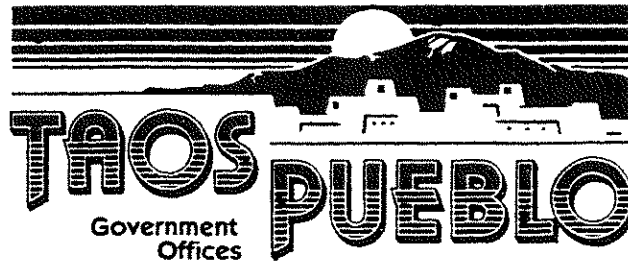


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**Taos Pueblo Tribal Council**  
**TPTC Resolution No. 2019- 11**

***Endorsement of Teresa Leger Fernandez for Third Congressional District of New Mexico***

**WHEREAS**, the Taos Pueblo Indian Tribe is a federally-recognized sovereign Tribal Government with inherent self-governing powers and authority; and

**WHEREAS**, Taos Pueblo maintains a Traditional Tribal Governmental structure consisting of the Tribal Council, the Governor's Office and the War Chief's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa Leger Fernandez is a candidate for the Third Congressional District of New Mexico and has asked the Tribal Council for our endorsement; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa has served Taos Pueblo as its General Counsel with integrity, wisdom and passion for assisting Taos Pueblo achieve its goals of preserving its financial, cultural and land resources, protecting its sovereign rights and promoting business development; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa helped draft and pass into law the the first tribal state tax agreement, and has participated in the successful passage of every other tribal state tax agreement since 1995 which has generated important tax revenue for Taos Pueblo; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa's legislative work has contributed to the spirit of cooperation and collaboration between the Tribes and the State of New Mexico which is recognized as one of the best State-Tribal relations in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa helped Taos Pueblo present the Pueblo's interests before the State of New Mexico's Legislature and Governor which has resulted in significant support for a Wellness Center, Senior Center, cultural preservation of the historic village, its farm program and infrastructure maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa has served Taos Pueblo with a clear understanding of our tribal sovereignty and

deep knowledge of our community needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa has used her financing background and economic development experience to assist the Business Development Team and Taos Pueblo develop new businesses that will generate jobs and financial resources to fund services for our community; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa's dedication to improving voter access and to voting rights act issues is beneficial to not only Taos Pueblo but the entire state of New Mexico since access to the polls is a fundamental foundation of democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, Teresa has pursued renewable energy legislation and projects which will help our State and our Nation address the climate crisis we must face and solve;


**WHEREAS**, Taos Pueblo trusts Teresa Leger Fernandez to represent Taos Pueblo, the entire State of New Mexico and the Nation with skill, commitment and a deep understanding of the issues we must confront as a Nation to ensure we have a viable future for our children, grandchildren and generations to come which is the criteria by which our elected leaders must judge all their policies; and


**WHEREAS**, Taos Pueblo Councilmen have expressed to Teresa Leger Fernandez our words of support, encouragement, advice, wisdom and gratitude for her decision to run for this office which we hope will give her strength in her quest to serve our New Mexico and our Nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Council hereby endorses Teresa Leger Fernandez for the Third Congressional District of New Mexico and authorizes the Tribal Government to support her candidacy and convey our endorsement to our members and the public.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Taos Pueblo Tribal Council Resolution No. TPTC 2019-11, "*Endorsement of Teresa Leger Fernandez for Third Congressional District of New Mexico*" was adopted by the Taos Pueblo Tribal Council at a duly called Tribal Council Meeting at which a quorum was present on the 19 day of June, 2019 by a vote of 36 for, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining.

  
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**Richard Aspenwind**  
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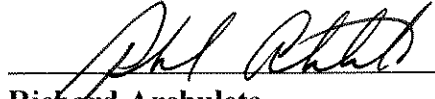


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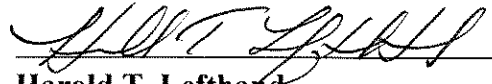


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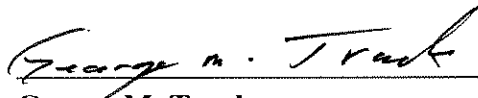
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