8. REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATION CHEROENHAKA "NOTTOWAY" POWWOW

Attached for your reference please find correspondence from Walt Brown, III seeking a proclamation from the Board declaring Saturday, July 28, 2012 as "Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Tribe Day." His organization's 11th annual Powwow is scheduled for July 28-29, 2012 at the Southampton County Fairgrounds.

MOTION REQUIRED: **If the Board is so inclined, a motion is required authorizing the Chairman to execute and deliver the attached proclamation.**

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Subject: Request For Proclamation Letter Declaring Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Day

June 14, 2012

Mike:

Thanks for returning my phone call germane to our 11th Annual Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Powwow & Gathering – A Celebration of The Green Corn Harvest.

Over the past ten years the powwow has attracted "international" tourist from such places as London England, Australia, Philippines, France, Russia, Viet Nam, Switzerland, Belgium, Slovakia, Canada, and a host of other tourist from across the East and West Cost.

The 11th Annual Powwow is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, July 28th and 29th, 2012 at the Southampton County Fair Grounds, Courtland, VA; as such, we are respectfully requesting a proclamation from the Southampton County Board of Supervisors, via the Chairman, declaring Saturday, July 28, 2012 as " Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Tribe of Southampton County Virginia Day."

Please let me know if there is a requirement to appear before the Board with said request.

On another NOTE: We are working very hard on "Cattashowrock Town," a Palisade Native Village, per the description of William Byrd's visit to the Courtland area on April 7, 1728 – in his writing he described all aspects of the Native Village, to include, how the Native People looked and dressed; to include, the Palisade Fort.

We are planning a grand opening come the third weekend of November. Friday, November, 16th and Saturday, November 17th, 2012 – Friday will be a school day (9 AM to 2 PM) and one day Powwow on Saturday (10 AM – 6PM). The event will be marketed as the "Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Intertribal Fall Festival Corn Harvest Powwow and School Day – Come see what William Byrd, Esq. saw upon his visit to "Cattashowrock Town" on April 7, 1728 here in Southampton County – an authentic Palisade Native American Village with native demonstrators. Walk or ride the Interpretative Trails, with signage identifying local Native American flora and fauna. Learn the tribe's Iroquoian Language as recorded by John Wood, former professor of Mathematics at William & Mary College, on March 4, 1820 here in Southampton County from the Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Queen / Chief Edith Turner AKA Wane Roonseraw."

This will be a mega tourist attraction for Southampton County and the surrounding areas!

With warm regards, I remain,

Walt

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Proclamation

Whereas, the Cheroenhaka "Nottoway" Indians represent the native people who were the original inhabitants of the lands which now constitute Southampton County, Virginia; and

Whereas, several rivers and tributaries, highways, and local landmarks of Southampton County, Virginia continue to bear names which may be traced to these first inhabitants, serving as lasting reminders of their past presence and significance; and

Whereas, the Cheroenhaka "Nottoway" Indians enrich the lives of local citizens by teaching and sharing their fascinating history and culture through stories, dance, colorful costumes, and traditional foods; and

Whereas, Southampton County wishes to recognize and commend the contributions of the Cheroenhaka "Nottoway" Indians, and to join in celebrating their traditions, language and rich cultural legacy.

Now, therefore, I, Dallas O. Jones, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia do hereby proclaim Saturday, July 28, 2012 as

Cheroenhaka "Nottoway" Indian Tribe Day

in Southampton County, Virginia and encourage all residents to participate in activities incident to this occasion.

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Dallas O. Jones, Chairman
Board of Supervisors
Southampton County, Virginia

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