RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee has been empowered to act for and in behalf of the Nez Perce Tribe, pursuant to the Revised Constitution and By-Laws, adopted by the General Council of the Nez Perce Tribe, on May 6, 1961, and approved by the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs on June 27, 1961; and

WHEREAS, the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee (NPTEC) is responsible under the Constitution "to promote and protect the health, education and general welfare of the members of the Tribe"; and

WHEREAS, the General Council Election Judges desire a process for elections that would allow for tribal members to exercise their constitutional ability to vote for NPTEC members of their choice; and

WHEREAS, amending the Election Ordinance of the Code, Chapter 6-10, will allow for absentee voting for qualified tribal members who will be unable to appear at the Polling Places in person on Primary, Special, and General Election days; and

WHEREAS, that the enrollment list held by NPTEC shall be utilized to ensure that all members of the General Council 18 years and older who are appropriately requesting to vote by absentee, receive a ballot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that having posted the amendment on October 29, 2020, with a comment period exceeding the fifteen (15) business day minimum required by Nez Perce Tribal Code Chapter 1-4, and having received no comments, the NPTEC hereby approves the amendment to the Nez Perce Tribal Code Chapter 6-10 Election Ordinance; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the NPTEC Chairman and Secretary are hereby authorized to sign all necessary correspondence and the NPTEC Treasurer is hereby authorized to disburse funds accordingly.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee meeting in Special Session, December 22, 2020 in the Richard A. Halfmoon Council Chambers, Lapwai, Idaho, a quorum of its Members being present and voting.

BY: Rachel P. Edwards, Secretary

ATTEST: Shannon P. Wheeler, Chairman