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of
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IMPROVED ORDER
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ARTICLE I.

Section 1. This Tribe shall be known by the name, style and title of Dunfee Tribe No. 1, Improved Order of Red Men of Welch, West Virginia.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The Stated Councils of this Tribe shall be held on the sleep of each Tuesday from April the 1st until October the 1st, at the eighth run, from October the 1st until April the 1st, at the seventh run and thirtieth breath.

Sec. 2. At special sessions no business shall be transacted except that which is specified in the call.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 2. The degrees of the Tribe may be conferred at any regular session of the Tribe.

ARTICLE IV.

Initiation and Cards

Section 1. Every Brother admitted to this Tribe by withdrawal card or dismissal certificate shall pay according to his age as follows: Between the age of eighteen and forty Great Suns, as per section 4, article V, page 74 of the Constitution; between the ages of forty and forty-five Great

Suns, and between the ages of forty-five and fifty-five he shall pay the sum of fifty inches for every year he is over forty-five Great Suns of age.

Sec. 2. Every persons who shall become a member of this Tribe between the ages of eighteen and forty Great Suns of age shall pay the sum of five fathoms (\$5.00), and between the ages of forty and forty-five, six fathoms and fifty inches (\$6.50); and between the ages of forty-five and fifty Great Suns of age shall pay fifty inches for every year he is over forty-five Great Suns of age. One half of the fee shall accompany the petition and the remainder shall be paid on the sleep he takes the Adoption Degree.

Sec. 3. Any member of this Tribe suspended for the non-payment of dues shall pay the sum of three fathoms (\$3.00) for reinstatement.

Sec. 4. The dues of this Tribe shall be six Fathoms a year.

ARTICLE V.

Benefits

Section 1. Every Brother who has been a member for six moons from the time he received the chief Degree shall, if sick or disabled, receive from the funds of the Tribe the sum of two fathoms (\$2.00) per week, providing his sickness or disability has not originated from intemperance or other immoral conduct and, provided, further, that such sickness or disabilities renders him unable to perform his usual avocation or some other avocation whereby he can gain a livelihood.

Sec. 2. No member who is thirteen seven suns in arrears with his dues shall be entitled to receive benefits from this Tribe and the rate of benefits of the Tribe shall be as follows: For the first thirteen seven suns two fathoms (\$2.00) per seven suns exclusive of the first seven suns sickness.

Sec. 3. A Brother admitted to membership by card or dismissal certificate shall not be entitled to benefits until six moons shall have elapsed from the time he became a member of the Tribe.

Sec. 4. The visting bounds shall be three miles.

Sec. 5. Notice of sickness or disability must be given in writing or in person addressed to the Tribe or the Chief of Records.

Sec. 6. Any Brother of this Tribe having become in arrears for dues for six moons shall be suspended for the non-payment thereof.

Sec. 7. In the event of the death of a member of this Tribe in good standing the Sachem shall cause his widow to be paid 100 fathoms (\$100.00) within thirty suns from the date of his death, which is to be collected by assessment of one fathom (\$1.00) on each member and charged to him as dues, provided, the wampum belt does not exceed five hundred (\$500.00) fathoms, and in case there is no widow, to be paid to the heirs of his body, and if no heirs of his body, the same shall be paid to the nearest relative. At the death of a member's wife the Sachem shall cause to be paid to the member, if he was in good

standing at the date of his wife's death, fifty fathoms (\$50.00) from the funds of the Tribe.

ARTICLE VI.

Duties of the Relief Committee

Section 1. The Relief Committee, Consisting of the Sachem, Senior Sagamore and Junior Sagamore in accordance to the Constitution upon receiving notice of the sickness or disability of a member of the Tribe in good standing, shall visit him within forty-eight runs, thereafter, and a member of said committee shall continue to do so once a week, thereafter or oftener if necessary during his sickness or until attention is no longer necessary, provided, the disease be not contagious.

Sec. 2. Should any member in good standing become so sick as to require it, with any disease not brought on by immoral conduct or intemperance; he shall be entitled to a nurse hired by the relief committee at the expense of the Tribe, provided, this expense does not exceed over five fathoms (\$5.00) per week. The Relief Committee failing to comply with requirements of this section shall be fined for the first offense one fathom (\$1.00) and for each repetition thereafter two fathoms.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Sachem to pay benefits when due within forty-eight runs after the same have been drawn.

Sec. 4. Should the Relief Committee have any doubt as to the sickness or disability of any member they may employ a physician to examine the member and report the result to the Tribe.

ARTICLE VII.

Section 1. Any elective or appointive officer other than trustees absenting himself from any stated session of the Tribe shall be fined twenty-five inches except the collector of Wampum, Chief of Records and Keeper of Wampum, who shall be fined one fathom (\$1.00), and for neglecting to bring or send the keys or books to any department under his charge shall be fined fifty inches (50) and any member of a committee of the board of trustees who shall neglect any duty to the injury of the Tribe or any member thereof shall be fined fifty inches, provided that such absence or neglect be not caused by sickness or absence from the community and provided, also, that any fine so imposed may be remitted by the Tribe.

ARTICLE VIII.

Section 1. The funds of the Tribe shall only be used in accordance as set forth in the Constitution and none of the funds shall be invested unless, by a legal vote in accordance with said law, nor shall the funds in the Wampum belt be reduced by investment to less than one fathom for each member of the Tribe.

ARTICLE IX.

Use of the Funds

Section 1. The funds of the Tribe shall only be used for its actual and necessary expenses for the payment of benefits to the sick or disabled, for the relief of distressed members of the Tribe and their families, and for funeral benefits.

Sec. 2. In granting donations for the relief of distressed member, or for the families of a deceased member, the sum shall not exceed twenty-five fathoms, unless in case of extreme necessity.

ARTICLE X.

Section 1. To qualify a member to the post of Sachem he shall have served in one full or unexpired term of some elective office.

Sec. 2. In addition the requirements of the Constitution, the Chief of Records shall attend the Meeting of the Auditing Committee, he shall furnish the Chairman of any special committee a copy of the resolution under which they are to act, within forty-eight runs after the appointment of the committee.

Sec. 3. The collector of Wampum, and Keeper of Wampum shall attend the meetings of the Auditing Committee, when auditing the accounts and shall give such information as the committee may require. The Keeper of Wampum before his installation shall give a continuous bond with approved security in the sum of five hundred fathoms (\$500.00).

ARTICLE XI.

Section 1. The representative to the Great Council shall faithfully represent the interest of the Tribe, and shall report to the Tribe a synopsis of the Great Council proceedings within two seven suns after each session has closed, and report from time to time such matters of interest as may be important to the Tribe.

Sec. 2. The Chief of Records, Collector of Wampum, and Keeper of Wampum, shall each receive for his service such amount as the Tribe may see fit to pay from time to time.

ARTICLE XII.

Section 1. The Chairman of each committee shall notify the other member of the time and place of meeting within two suns after the appointment.

Sec. 2. Every committee shall make its final report in writing, but if unable to report at any time when the report is called for a clear and explicit account of its proceedings must be given, and if such committee fail to report through their own neglect to the injury of the Tribe, they shall be fined not less than one fathom (\$1.00) nor more than two fathoms (\$2.00).

ARTICLE XIII.

Section 1. A member receiving a withdrawal or transfer card shall pay one fathom (\$1.00).

ARTICLE XIV.

Notice of Residence

Section 1. Every member shall give his place of residence to the Chief of Records or Collector of Wampum and in case of removal, shall notify them within four seven suns.

Sec. 2. In any case where notice is required to be given by the Tribe to a member a notice addressed and sent to his residence as last given by him shall be a legal and sufficient notice.

ARTICLE XV.

Section 1. Any member guilty of a misdemeanor and refusing to obey the Sachem's call to order after having been called to order the second time, shall be fined for the first offense twenty-five inches and one fathom for each repetition thereof.

Sec. 2. Any officer entering this hall in an intoxicating condition shall be fined \$2.00 for the first offense, and for second offense, shall be fined \$2.00, also removed from office and not allowed to hold any office for two years thereafter.

Sec. 3. Any member entering this hall or Wigwam in an intoxicating condition, shall be asked to leave the hall. Failing to obey this command shall be fined \$1.00 for the first offense and \$2.00 for each and every offense thereafter.

Sec. 4. Any member found guilty of having any intoxicating spirits inside of the outer door shall be fined \$1.00 for each offense.

Sec. 5. Any member found in a state of intoxication while receiving benefits from this Tribe, said benefits shall be void and annulled for the entire period of sickness or disability and said member shall be subject to charges for same.

Sec. 6. Any member refusing to serve on a committee, unless an accepted excuse be given, shall be fined twenty-five inches for each offense.

Sec. 7. Should any member or officer of this Tribe take any books or other property belonging to the Tribe he shall

be fined fifty inches for each offense.

Sec. 8. The Sachem shall declare and order charged all fines imposed in the foregoing section, and all other fines, subject to the approval of the Tribe.

ARTICLE XVI.

Section 1. These by-laws shall not be altered, amended or repealed unless the proposed alteration, amendment, or repeal, be presented in writing, signed by three members of the Chief's degree, and read at two stated sessions previous to being acted upon, and it shall require two-third of the votes of all the members present, to pass such an amendment, alteration or repeal, and must be approved by Committee on Law before it can be enforced.

Sec. 2. The foregoing By-Laws shall go into effect and be obeyed after being adopted by the Tribe, and approved by the Committee on Law.

Sec. 3. There shall be a Committee known as the Investigating Committee to investigate and inquire into all claims for sickness against the Tribe. The committee shall be composed of three members to be appointed as other committees.

ARTICLE XVII.

Non-beneficial Members

Section 1. Any person over fifty great suns of age, may become a member of this Tribe, subject to the report of Committee on application. And the payment of regular fees. And dues such as are re-

quired to pay per capita taxes.

Committee—

George Hearl
George Balcoe
Elex Lavis.

Fred Spencer, Sachem.
Carl Bailey, C. of R.

Hunting Grounds of Welch, West Virginia, Wigwam of Dunfee Tribe No. 1, Improved Order of Red Men.

This is to certify that foregoing By-Laws have been regularly adopted at a regular session of the Tribe after being presented, signed by three members of the Chief's degree in good standing, laid over two seven suns and then received two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

Fred Spencer, Sachem.
Carl Bailey, C. of R.

(SEAL)

Committee—

George Hearl
Elex Lavis
George Balcoe.

A. M. Howery,
Chairman of Jud. C.

R. C. Mitchell.



