

United States Department of the Interior BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS HOPI AGENCY P.O. Box 158 Keams Canyon, AZ 86034



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SECRETARIAL ELECTION NOTICE Hopi Tribe

Members of the Hopi Tribe (Tribe) are hereby advised that a Secretarial election will be held for the purpose of voting on the seven proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws of the Hopi Tribe. This Secretarial election is a Federal election and will be conducted by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for the Tribe in accordance with Part 81 of Title 25 Code of Federal Regulations (25 CFR Part 81). This Secretarial election will be conducted by mailout ballot only and ballots need to be submitted by May 25, 2017.

Pursuant to the requirements of 25 CFR Part 81.10, only adult Tribal members, 18 years of age or older on the date of the Secretarial election, who register to vote in this election will be entitled to vote on the ratification or rejection of the proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws of the Hopi Tribe. This notice is being mailed to all members 18 years of age and older at the address listed on the current Eligible Voters List submitted by the tribal governing body along with a Voter Registration Form. Some 17 year old Tribal members will receive this notice and have an opportunity to register. However, only those who are at least 18 years old on the date of the election will be allowed to vote, provided they have registered by the due date. Any member who does not receive a Voter Registration Form by mail should request one from the Hopi Agency at 100 Main Street, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034 or from the Hopi Tribal Operations Office located at the legislative building in Kykotsmovi, Arizona.

The completed registration forms must be received by the Secretarial Election Board, P.O. Box 44607, Rio Rancho, NM 87174, no later than 12:00 p.m., DST on April 26, 2017, by mail. You can also hand deliver to the Hopi Agency at 100 Main Street, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034 by 12:00 p.m., MST on April 26, 2017.

The Registered Voters List will be posted April 26, 2017, at the BIA, Hopi Agency, 100 Main Street, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034, the Hopi Tribal Headquarters and other locations listed in the Notice and Rules of Election. If you wish to challenge the inclusion, exclusion or omission of a name on the Registered Voters List, you must submit the challenge in writing to the Secretarial Election Board by May 3, 2017, by 4:00 p.m. MST to the Hopi Agency at 100 Main Street, Keams Canyon, Arizona

86034. You must include the name of the affected individual(s), the reason why the individual(s) name should be added or removed and supporting documentation. *If you fail to submit your registration form on time, that is not a reason to challenge your omission.* Any challenges will be resolved by the Secretarial Election Board by May 4, 2017, and will be final for the purpose of determining who can vote in the Secretarial election.

Mailout ballots with instructions will be mailed promptly after the Registered Voter List is final. No request is required to receive a mailout ballot. Ballots will be sent to all registered voters listed on the final Registered Voters List. The Mailout ballots must be received by the Hopi Agency by mail at P.O. Box 158, Keams Canyon, Arizona by May 25, 2017, by 4:00 p.m. MST. You may also hand deliver to the Hopi Agency at 100 Main Street, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034 by May 25, 2017, by 4:00 p.m. MST.

Immediately after the ballots are counted, the results of the Secretarial election will be posted at the BIA, Hopi Agency at 100 Main Street, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034 and the Hopi Tribal Headquarters and other locations listed in the Notice and Rules of Election. Any person who is listed on the Eligible Voters List and who submitted a voter registration form may challenge the results of the Secretarial election. Any challenge must be submitted in writing along with substantiating evidence to the Chair of the Secretarial Election Board by May 30, 2017, to the Hopi Agency by mail at P.O. Box 158, Keams Canyon, Arizona by 4:00 p.m. MST. You may also hand deliver to the Hopi Agency at 100 Main Street, Keams Canyon, Arizona 86034 by May 30, 2017, by 4:00 p.m. MST. Any challenges filed after the deadline will not be considered. All challenges will be forwarded by the Secretarial Election Board to the Regional Director for review and decision and shall be a final agency action. Once all decisions on any challenges have been made, the Regional Director will inform the Tribe on the outcome of the Secretarial election and decide whether the amendments will be approved or disapproved. That decision shall also be a final agency action.

Sincerely,

Chairman, Secretarial Election Board