

# SINTE GLESKA UNIVERSITY

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THE HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION 1983
RECOGNIZED AS A
1994 TRIBAL LAND GRANT INSTITUTION

ESTABLISHED DECEMBER 1970

CHARTER OF INCORPORATION

OF

SINTE GLESKA UNIVERSITY

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation for educational purposes pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 (n), (r), and (u) of the Constitution of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe of South Dakota and Sections 5 (e) and 5 (j) of the Corporate Charter of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, hereby certify:

**ARTICLE I** 

Name

The name of this corporation shall be Sinte Gleska University, Inc.

ARTICLE II

Duration

The duration of this Corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE III

**Principal Office** 

The principal office of the Corporation shall be located at Mission, South Dakota.

**ARTICLE IV** 

**Purposes** 

Wahohpi ungluwasakapi kte hecel Oyate ki Wolakota gluha tokatakiya yuha unyapi kte Reinforcing our Foundation for our people to go Forward in the Lakota Way of Life The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are:

- A. To provide, establish and operate on a nonprofit basis, educational institutions on the Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation.
- B. To voluntarily aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions, or otherwise other corporations, community chests, funds, and foundations organized exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational purposes or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, no part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.
- C. To either directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations, firms, associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments, or agencies, do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attainment of the foregoing purposes, including among other things:
  - (1) To voluntarily furnish management, administrative, and other advise, support, training, and assistance to members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe in order to enable them to develop necessary skills successfully to operate and administer educational institutions;
  - (2) To obtain information and conduct research, studies, and analysis and prepare and publish reports as to any and all matters that may be of use in furthering the expansion of educational institutions operated by Indians including information, research, studies, analyses, and reports as to services, skills, sources of financing, and any and all other matters;
  - (3) To conduct educational and other efforts to eliminate any prejudice and discrimination in the educational and financial communities and to foster the establishment of sound and constructive relationships between the educational and financial communities and members of the Tribe seeking opportunities in education; and

(4) To operate in conjunction, cooperation and association with Rosebud Reservation Education Development Incorporate and its subsidiary departments, divisions, and agencies in furthering and attaining the foregoing purposes for the benefit of all the members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

#### ARTICLE V

### **Powers**

In furtherance, but not in limitation, of the foregoing purposes, the Corporation shall have power and authority:

- A. To receive and administer fund and contributions received by gift, deed, bequest, or devise, and otherwise to acquire money, securities, property, rights, and services of every kind and description, and to hold, invest, expend, contribute, use, sell, or otherwise dispose of any money, securities, property rights, or services so acquired for the purposes above mentioned;
- B. To borrow money and to make, accept, endorse, execute, and issue bonds, debentures, promissory notes, and other corporate obligations, for monies borrowed, or in payment for property acquired or for any of the purposes of the corporation, and to secure payment of any such obligation by mortgage, pledge, deed, indenture, agreement, or other instrument of trust, or by other lien upon, assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property, rights, or privileges of the Corporation;
- C. To invest and reinvest its funds in such mortgages, bonds, notes, debentures, share of preferred and common stock, and any other securities of any kind whatsoever, and property, real, personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, all as the Corporation's Board of shall deem advisable and as may be permitted by law;
- D. To develop programs of study and grant degrees for completion thereof in accordance with the policies from time to time set forth in the By-Laws of the Corporation;

- E. To sue and be sued in its corporate name upon any contract, claim, or obligation arising out of furtherance of the above purposes, provided that the Rosebud Sioux Tribe shall not be liable for the debts or obligations of the Corporation except as it may hereafter expressly so obligate itself in writing;
- F. To do all such other acts as are necessary or convenient to accomplish the objectives and purposes herein set forth to the same extent and as fully as any natural person could or might do and as are not forbidden by law or by this Charter of Incorporation or by the By-Laws of the Corporation; and
- G. To have all powers that may be conferred upon nonprofit corporations formed under the laws of the State of South Dakota.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### Limitations

- A. All of the foregoing purposes and powers and all other purposes and powers in which the Corporation is permitted to engage by this Charter of Incorporation shall be exclusively for such public charitable and educational purposes as are within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as it is currently and shall hereafter be in force and effect. Nothing herein contained shall authorize the doing of any act which would require the approval of any Department of the State of South Dakota.
- B. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. Upon any dissolution of the Corporation no member shall be entitled to any distribution or division of its remaining property or its proceeds, and the balance of all money and other property received by the Corporation from any source, including its operations, after the payment of all debts and obligations of the Corporation of whatsoever kind and nature, shall be used or distributed, subject to the provisions of SDCL 1967, 47-26, of the State of South Dakota, exclusively for

purposes within those set forth in Article IV of this Charter and within the intendment of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as the same may be amended from time to time.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### Membership

Membership in the Corporation shall be open only to persons who meet the qualifications of membership prescribed in the By-Laws, provided that members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and students enrolled in <u>Sinte Gleska</u> University will be broadly and effectively represented in the membership of the Corporation.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

## **Board of Regents**

The Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Regents or Board of Trustees consisting of at least 5 and not more than 11 members of the Corporation as further prescribed in the By-Laws. The Board of directors of Rosebud Reservation Education Development Incorporated shall serve as incorporating Directors or Trustees of the Corporation and continue to serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified as prescribed in the By-Laws.

The names and addresses of those to serve as incorporating directors or trustees are:

Stanley Red Bird

Spring Creek, South Dakota

Joe Marshall

White River, South Dakota

**Edward Charging Elk** 

Mission, South Dakota

Phyllis Cordier

St. Francis, South Dakota

Isadore White Hat

Rosebud, South Dakota

Leo Cordier

O'Kreek, South Dakota

William Menard

Mission, South Dakota

## ARTICLE IV

# **Regulation of Internal Affairs**

Regulation of the internal affairs and organization of the Corporation which are not consistent with law and this Charter shall be governed by the By-Laws.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 28 day of January, 1971.

/s/Stanley Red Bird Spring Creek, South Dakota

/s/Joe Marshall White River, South Dakota

/s/Edward Charging Elk Mission, South Dakota

/s/Phyllis Cordier St. Francis, South Dakota

/s/Isadore White Hat Rosebud, South Dakota

/s/Leo Cordier O'Kreek, South Dakota

/s/William Menard Mission, South Dakota

<sup>\*</sup>THE CHARTER OF INCORPORATION OF SINTE GLESKA UNIVERSITY IS RETYPED FOR READABIITY, CLARITY AND REVISIONS, PER RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL. (03/2017)

# RESOLUTION NO. 71-01.

RESOLUTION OF THE ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE CHARTER OF ROSEBUD COLLEGE CENTER.

WHEREAS, the Rosebud Sioux Tribes desires to provide opportunity for higher education on the Rosebud Reservation to promote the health and economic, social, and general welfare of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, and

WHEREAS, for such purpose the Rosebud Sioux Tribe desires to establish a public corporation capable of both offering courses leading to the granting of degrees and of entering into agreements with public and private agencies for the purpose of their offering higher education, which agreements shall obligate such public corporation alone, and not the Rosebud Sioux Tribe as such, and

WHEREAS, the Charter of Incorporation of Rosebud College Center accurately reflects these desires of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Pursuant to the authority granted by Article IV, Sections 1 (n), (r), and (u) of the Constitution of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe of South Dakota and Sections 5 (3) and 5 (j) of the Corporate Charter of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council does hereby charter and establish a nonprofit, educational, public corporation to be known as Rosebud College Center, which shall be able to offer courses, grant degrees, and/or enter into agreements with public or private agencies to offer higher education on the reservation, and issues to the Corporation the Charter of Incorporation attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, all in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Charter, which shall regulate the affairs of the Corporation.

# CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned hereby certify that the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council is composed of 22 voting members of whom 21 constituting a quorum were present at a duly called and convened session of the Tribal Council, January 28, 1971; at Rosebud, South Dakota; that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the affirmative vote of 21 members, none opposed.

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Leo Cordier, Secretary Rosebud Sioux Tribe Webster Two Hawk, President

Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Noted and transmitted:

Superintendent

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# RESOLUTION 76-02

- WHEREAS, Sinte Gleska College is the duly chartered institution of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe (see Resolution 71-01) to provide post-secondary education to the members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe within and without the boundaries of the Rosebud Sioux Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, Sinte Gleska College is a true and meaningful example of Indian self-determination in the area of education, and
- WHEREAS, there has been several changes in the activities of Sinte Gleska College since its original tribal charter was granted on January 28, 1971,
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council hereby grants the attached charter to Sinte Gleska College as an updated, restatement of the original tribal charter and determines that this updated charter governs in all respects the future affairs of this organization.

# CERTIFICATION

This resolution is hereby certified, having been duly passed by the Tribal Education Committee, therein being a quorum of three (3) present with three (3) voting yes and none opposed at a meeting held on May 10, 1976 at Mission, South Dakota.

Charles Colombe, Chairman Colombial Education Committee

# RESOLUTION 76-123

WHEREAS, Sinte Gleska College is the duly chartered institution of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe (see Resolution 71-01) to provide post-secondary education to the members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe within and without the boundaries of the Rosebud Sioux Reservation, and

WHEREAS, Sinte Gleska College is a true and meaningful example of Indian self-determination in the area of education, and

WHEREAS, there has been several changes in the activities of Sinte Gleska College since its original tribal charter was granted on January 28, 1971,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council hereby grants the attached charter to Sinte Gleska College as an updated, restatement of the original tribal charter and determines that this updated charter governs in all respects the future affairs of this organization.

# CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above resolution Number 76-123 was duly passed by the Rosebud Sioux TRibal Council in session dated July 7, 1976; by a vote of 24 in favor and one (1) stepped out. The said resolution was adopted pursuant to authority vested in the Council. A quorum was present.

Rosebud Sioux Tribe

ATTEST:

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# ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBE RESOLUTION NO. 92-51

WHEREAS, the Rosebud Sioux Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 and all pertinent amendments thereof; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe is exercising its authority pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(2) of the Constitution of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 1971, the Rosebud Sioux Tribe officially chartered and established Sinte Gleska College to provide post-secondary and other programs and opportunities on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation; and

WHEREAS, on August 22, 1991, the Sinte Gleska College Board of Directors approved Resolution 91-02, changing the name of Sinte Gleska College to Sinte Gleska University and Resolution 91-03, changing the Board of Directors to a Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, on February 2, 1992, at a traditional ceremony held in St. Francis, the name change was put into effect; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rosebud Sioux Tribe supports the change in status from Sinte Gleska College to University and from a Board of Directors to a Board of Regents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council and Administration extends its congratulations to Sinte Gleska University.

# CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above Resolution No. 92-51 was duly passed by the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council in session on March 11, 1992, by a vote count of sixteen (16) in favor, zero (0) opposed and zero (0) not voting. The said resolution was adopted pursuant to authority vested in the Council. A quorum was present.

ATTEST:

Geraldine Gordon, Secretary

Rosebud Sioux Tribe

AVex J. Lunderman, President

Rosebud Sioux Tribe