Stockbridge-Munsee Community

BAND OF MOHICAN INDIANS

TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICES

Resolution

March 21, 2017

No. <u>029-17</u>

WHEREAS, Pilgrim Pipeline Holdings, LLC, is proposing to build two pipelines on the traditional homelands of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, a federally-recognized tribe, that would transport crude oil and refined petroleum products between Albany, New York and Linden, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the bi-directional pipelines parallel the Hudson River, the Muhheacannituck, our namesake, the *waters that are never still*, and

WHEREAS, the pipeline route through Papscanee Island in East Greenbush, New York, is of particular concern as it was a village led by Mohican Sachem (Chief) Papsickene, and therefore holds immense cultural significance to our people as a center of life in the 17th century; and

WHEREAS, the entirety of Papscanee Island is nominated as eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as a historically and archeologically significant district; and

WHEREAS, Pilgrim Pipeline Holdings, LLC has not provided Stockbridge-Munsee Community with adequate opportunity to consult on this project, including notice of archeological testing on Papscance Island that took place without tribal monitors present.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stockbridge-Munsee Community opposes the proposed Pilgrim Pipeline Project due to cultural resource concerns and calls upon the State of New York to do the same.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Council is composed of 7 members, of whom <u>6</u>, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed, and held on the <u>21</u>st day of <u>March</u>, 2017, that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of <u>5</u> for, <u>0</u> against, and <u>0</u> abstaining.

Shannon Holsey, President

Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council

Jerilyn Johnson, Secretary

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