

RESOLUTION
COLORADO RIVER TRIBAL COUNCIL

A Resolution to Lift the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration for the Colorado River Indian Tribes and Rescind the Employee Vaccination Policy and Policy for COVID-19 Exposures

Be it resolved by the Tribal Council of the Colorado River Indian Tribes of the Colorado River Indian Reservation, in *special* meeting assembled on August 11, 2023.

WHEREAS, the Colorado River Indian Tribes (hereinafter "CRIT" or "Tribes") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, duly organized with a tribal governing body known as the Tribal Council according to the provisions contained in the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 1 (i) of the Constitution of the Colorado River Indian Tribes authorizes the Tribal Council to determine all terms and conditions of employment of all persons employed by the tribes and Section 1(g) authorizes the Tribal Council to promulgate ordinances and resolutions to provide for the administration of the health, education and welfare of the tribes; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020; the United States Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency related to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak on January 31, 2020; the World Health Organization officially declared a pandemic due to COVID-19 on March 11, 2020; and the United States declared a National Emergency on March 13, 2020; and CRIT also declared an emergency for the Reservation on March 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared an end to the public health emergency on May 5, 2023 and the United States declared an end to the National Emergency on May 11, 2023.


The foregoing resolution was on August 11, 2023 duly approved by a vote of 4 for, 2 against and 0 abstaining, by the Tribal Council of the Colorado River Indian Tribes, pursuant to authority vested in it by Sections 1.i.&.g., Article VI of the Constitution and By laws of the Tribes, ratified by the Tribes on March 1, 1975 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1975, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934, (46 Stat. 984). This resolution is effective as of the date of its adoption.

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By



Chairwoman



Secretary

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Colorado River Indian Tribes to declare an end to the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council rescinds the Employee Vaccination Policy and the Policy for COVID-19 Exposures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that employees are required to follow medical advice before returning to the workplace after a COVID-19 infection; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that COVID-19 remains an endemic disease and the Tribal Council urges the tribal membership, employees, and community to be vigilant in preventing the spread of COVID-19 through vaccinations, testing, and isolation when infected in accordance with medical advice; and

BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED the Tribal Council Chairwoman and Secretary, or their designated representatives, are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to implement this Resolution.