



# Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe

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## Tribal Council Resolution Resolution 2002-59 Burn Regulations

**WHEREAS**, the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council is the duly recognized governing body of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council is responsible for the health, safety, education and welfare of all community members; and,

**WHEREAS**, the authority, responsibility, and jurisdiction of the Tribal Council to protect air resources on Tribal Lands is derived from the Tribe's sovereign rights as the Aboriginal owners and guardians of their lands and waters and has been recognized by Federal Indian Policy; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has determined that the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Environment Division shall have primary responsibility for administering an air program which monitors and regulates Tribal air quality, subject to review and approval by the Tribal Council in accordance with Tribal law; and,

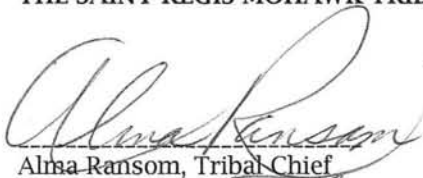
**WHEREAS**, the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Environment Division has identified the need to implement controls over open burning on Tribal lands; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has reviewed the proposed "Clean Air Program - Tribal Burn Regulations" drafted by the Saint Regis Mohawk Environment Division.

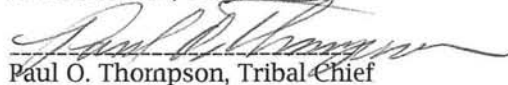
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council hereby approves and makes a part of Tribal Law, "The Clean Air Program - Tribal Burn Regulations" submitted by the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Environment Division; and,

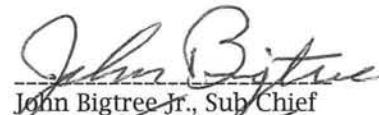
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, all Tribal agencies, including, but not limited to the Tribal Police Force, will be provided with copies of the Tribal Burn Regulations, and will assist in the compliance with and, whenever applicable, the enforcement of the Tribal Burn Regulation in accordance with applicable law.

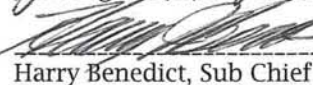
### THE SAINT REGIS MOHAWK TRIBAL COUNCIL

  
Alma Ransom, Tribal Chief

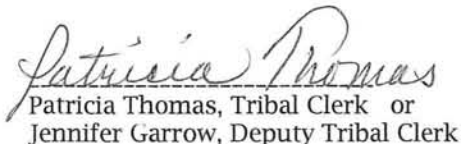
Hilda E. Smoke, Tribal Chief

  
Paul O. Thompson, Tribal Chief

  
John Bigtree Jr., Sub Chief

  
Harry Benedict, Sub Chief

**CERTIFICATION:** *This is to certify that the above resolution was duly passed by the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Council pursuant to the authority vested therein.*

  
Patricia Thomas, Tribal Clerk or  
Jennifer Garrow, Deputy Tribal Clerk

4-15-02  
Date