AMENDED BY-LAWS

TIWA INDIAN TRIBE

PUEBLO OF SAN JUAN

DE GUADALUPE

TORTUGAS, NEW MEXICO
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ARTICLE I

PURPOSE: The Tribe is an association of Native Indian people joined together for the purpose of preserving their Tribal heritage, religion, customs and native traditions.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP:

SECTION 1
The Tribe is comprised of the combined Manso, Piro and Tiwa Indian Tribes.

SECTION 2
Membership is comprised of descendants of section 1 Indian blood heritage.

SECTION 3
Membership in the Tribe is by either Paternal or Maternal Indian descent.

ARTICLE III

TRIBAL ROLLS:

SECTION 1
The Tribal roll is comprised of the adult members of the Tribe and is based on Indian descendance.
ARTICLE IV

CASIQUE:

SECTION 1

The Casique is the titular leader of the tribe.

SECTION 2

The Casique is elected by the tribe for a life tenure.

SECTION 3

The Casique is the spiritual leader of the tribe and is in charge of all native tribal ceremonies.

ARTICLE V

TRIBAL MEETINGS:

SECTION 1

ANNUAL MEETING: The annual tribal meeting shall be held on the 1st day in the month of January in each year, at the hour of 12:01 o'clock A.M., or at such other time on such other day within such month as shall be fixed by the tribe for the purpose of electing officers and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If the election of officers shall not be held on the day designated herein for the annual tribal meeting or at any adjournment thereof, the tribal council shall cause the election to be held at a special meeting of the tribe as soon thereafter as conveniently may be.
SECTION 2

SPECIAL OR GENERAL MEETINGS: Special or general meetings for any purpose or purposes, may be called by the president or by the tribe.

SECTION 3

PLACE OF MEETING: The Tribal council may designate any place as the place for any annual meeting or for any special or general meeting called by the tribe.

ARTICLE VI

TRIBAL COUNCIL:

SECTION 1

GENERAL POWERS: The business and affairs of the tribe shall be managed by the tribal council.

SECTION 2

NUMBER AND TENURE: The number of Officers of the tribal council shall be 10. Each Officer shall hold office until the next annual meeting.

SECTION 3

REGULAR MEETINGS: Regular meetings of the tribal council may be held as required.

SECTION 4

SPECIAL MEETINGS: Special meetings of the tribal council may be called by or at the request of the president or any Officer. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the tribal council may fix any place, as the place for holding any special meeting of the tribal council called by them.
SECTION 5

NOTICE: Notice of any special meeting shall be given at least two days prior to the meeting. Any Officer may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of an Officer at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where an officer attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the tribal council need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting.

SECTION 6

QUORUM: A majority of the number of Officers fixed by Section 2 of this Article shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the tribal council, but if less than such majority is present at a meeting, a majority of the Officers present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

SECTION 7

MANNER OF ACTING: The act of the majority of the Officers present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the tribal council.

SECTION 8

ACTION WITHOUT A MEETING: Any action required or permitted to be taken by the tribal council at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the Officers.
SECTION 9

VACANCIES: Any vacancy occurring in the tribal council may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Officers though less than a quorum of the tribal council. An Officer elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office. The term of office continuing only until the next election of Officers by the tribe.

SECTION 10

PRESUMPTION OF ASSENT: An Officer who is present at a meeting at which action on any tribal matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless he shall file his written dissent to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or shall forward such dissent to the secretary of the tribe immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent shall not apply to an Officer who voted in favor of such action.

ARTICLE VII

OFFICERS:

SECTION 1

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS: The Administrative Officers of the tribe shall be a president, vice-president, secretary, and a treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the tribe.

SECTION 2

NATIVE CEREMONIAL OFFICERS: The ceremonial Officers of the tribe shall be a war captain, second captain, third captain, fourth captain, and a fifth captain, each of whom shall be elected by the tribe.
SECTION 3

ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE: The officers of the tribe shall be elected annually. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until his death or until he shall resign or shall have been removed in the manner hereinafter provided.

SECTION 4

REMOVAL: Any officer may be removed by the tribe whenever in its judgment, the best interests of the tribe will be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice, of the person so removed.

SECTION 5

VACANCIES: A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the tribal council for the unexpired portion of the term.

SECTION 6

PRESIDENT: The president shall be the principal executive officer of the tribe and, subject to the control of the tribal council shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the tribe. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings. He may sign, with the secretary or any other proper officer of the tribal council thereunto authorized by the tribe contracts, or other instruments which the tribe has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the tribe or by these bylaws to some other officer of the tribal council, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of president and such other duties as may be prescribed by the tribe from time to time.
SECTION 7

VICE-PRESIDENT: In the absence of the president or in the event of his death, inability or refusal to act, the vice-president shall perform the duties of the president, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president. The vice-president may sign, with the secretary, documents of the tribe and shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the president or by the tribe.

SECTION 8

SECRETARY: The secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the meetings and of the tribe in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the tribal records and documents on behalf of the tribe and is duly authorized; (d) keep a register of each tribal member; (e) sign with the president, documents of the tribe, the issuance of which shall have been authorized by resolution of the tribe or tribal council; (f) have general charge of the books of the tribe and (g) in general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the president or by the tribe.

SECTION 9

TREASURER: The treasurer shall: (a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the tribe; (b) receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the tribe from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the tribe in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws; and (c) in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the president or by the tribe. If required by the tribe, the treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the tribe shall determine.
SECTION 10

WAR CAPTAIN: The war captain shall be the chief ceremonial assistant to the casique. He shall assist the casique in performing all native rituals. At tribal ceremonies, he and the other four captains shall maintain the peace and oversee all tribal functions.

SECTION 11

SECOND CAPTAIN: In the absence of the war captain, or in event of his death, or inability to act, the second captain shall perform the duties of the war captain. At tribal feasts, he shall assist the war captain in performance of the native rituals and will assist in maintaining the peace.

SECTION 12

THIRD CAPTAIN: The third captain shall be third in command. In the absence of the second captain he shall assume and perform the duties of the second captain.

SECTION 13

FOURTH CAPTAIN: The duties of the fourth captain shall be to assist the other captains with the native rituals. He shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the war captain.

SECTION 14

FIFTH CAPTAIN: The fifth captain shall assist with the native rituals and ceremonies. In the absence of the "Hunt Captain" he shall assume and perform all the duties of his office.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENTS: These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed and new By-Laws may be adopted by the tribe at any regular or special meeting.