

ORDINANCE OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL  
OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE  
(An Unincorporated Tribe)

ORDINANCE OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE ADOPTING A REGISTRATION PROCESS AND REGISTRATION FORM FOR ALL CHURCHES AND MISSIONARIES TO REGISTER AND REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES ON THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION.

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe organized under Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 (25 U.S.C. § 5123), by adopting a federally approved Constitution and By-Laws, and under Article III of the Tribal Constitution, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council is the governing body of the Tribe, and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Sections 1(f), 1(k), 1(m), and 1(w) empower the Tribal Council to manage the economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, protect and preserve the property of the Tribe, adopt laws governing the conduct of persons on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, and adopt laws protecting and promoting the health and general welfare of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and its membership, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ch. 10, Removal of Non-Members, Section 2 (M), that states that conducting missionary activities without prior authorization from the Tribal Council is grounds for exclusion of non-members, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council has found it in the best interest of the Tribe to register all churches and missionaries conducting missionary activities within the reservation, to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the people, and

WHEREAS, the history of abuses by the churches upon indigenous peoples has caused generational trauma to indigenous peoples across the world, and

WHEREAS, the traditional Lakota lifeways and practicing of ceremonies were prohibited by the United States policies of assimilation and conversion causing significant and lasting damage to our tribal members including to their identity as Lakota people, and

WHEREAS, the 1868 Treaty and the American Indian Freedom of Religion Act of 1978 protect our way of life, and

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council has reviewed and approves the Registration and Request for Authorization to Conduct Missionary Activities Form; now

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council does hereby approve the Registration and Request for Authorization to Conduct Missionary Activities Form, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Tribal Council delegates authority to the OST Executive Committee the review and approval or denial of submitted forms to the Secretary's Office, with approval or denial done by Executive Committee Resolution attached to the form and filed with the Secretary's Office and copy given to the Church or Missionary Organization, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all Church/Missionary Organizations shall submit a list of all participants of the organization and submit proof of background investigation clearance for all participants of their organization who will be located within the exterior boundaries of the Pine Ridge reservation with their request form, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Organization shall abide by Ordinance No. 11-23 and submit a financial report to the OST Revenue Department, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the organization receive prior approval before doing fundraising activities utilizing the Oglala Sioux Tribe and its members, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that no organization shall be allowed to utilize our children by picture or video or by any means, without a Release for use of image, by the parent or guardian and approval by the Executive Committee, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that failure to abide by the registration and request for authorization to conduct missionary activities will result in removal of the organization from within the exterior boundaries of the Pine Ridge reservation in accordance with Chapter 10 Removal of Non-members, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

C-E-R-T-I-F-I-C-A-T-I-O-N

I, as the undersigned Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, hereby certify that this Ordinance was adopted by a vote of: 15 For; 2 Against; 0 Abstain; and 2 Not Voting; during a REGULAR SESSION held on the 26TH day of JULY, 2022.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-54

Page Three



STACY L. TWO LANCE  
Secretary  
Oglala Sioux Tribe

A-T-T-E-S-T:



ALICIA MOUSSEAU  
Vice-President  
Oglala Sioux Tribe

**RECEIVED**

**JUL 27 2022**

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT



**REGISTRATION AND REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES  
WITHIN THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

AREA CODE AND PHONE NUMBER OF ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CONTACT PERSON AND MISSIONARY LEADER:  
\_\_\_\_\_

AREA CODE AND PHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

PURPOSE OF  
ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES THAT WILL BE CONDUCTED WHILE ON THE PINE RIDGE  
INDIAN RESERVATION:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION OF ACTIVITIES WHILE ON THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION:  
\_\_\_\_\_

PROPOSED LENGTH OF STAY ON THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION: \_\_\_\_\_

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION OF ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED: Attach the following:

1. List of Participants who will be conducting activities within the exterior boundaries of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.
2. Submit Background investigation clearance (Federal, State, Local) of all participants who will be conducting activities within the exterior boundaries of the Pine Ridge Reservation

Must abide by Ordinance No. 11-23 requires reporting to OST Revenue of all non-profit organizations. (Request copy from the Secretary's Office)

**REQUEST TO CONDUCT MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES:**

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ NOT APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

*(Reference, OST Law and Order Code, Chapter 10 Section 2 (M))*



**REGISTRATION AND REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES  
WITHIN THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION**

***NOTICE: THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE HAS THE INHERENT RIGHT TO IMMEDIATELY REMOVE FROM THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION ANY ORGANIZATION, OR PERSON REPRESENTING THE ORGANIZATION, THAT CAUSES HARM OR IS A THREAT TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND/OR GENERAL WELFARE OF OUR PEOPLE OR FAILS TO ABIDE TRIBAL LAWS.***

***THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE WILL NOT TOLERATE THE DEMONIZATION, DENIGRATION, OR DISRESPECT OF OUR TRADITIONAL LIFEWAYS, OUR SACRED RITES, OR OUR CEREMONIES FROM ANY ORGANIZATION OR MINISTRY AND CONSIDERS THIS TYPE OF ACTIVITY AS HARMFUL TO OUR PEOPLE.***