ORDINANCE 13-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF
THE BLUE LAKE RANCHERIA AMENDING
SECTION 6 OF ORDINANCE 01-01, “MARRIAGE
ORDINANCE” TO DELETE SECTION 6(c)
THEREOF

The Tribal Council ("Council") of the Blue Lake Rancheria ("Tribe") does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Findings and Declarations. The Council for the Tribe finds and declares that:

1. On October 13, 2001 the Council enacted Ordinance No. 01-01, an ordinance entitled: “Marriage Ordinance” ("Marriage Ordinance").

2. Section 6(c) of the Marriage Ordinance currently prohibits parties of the same sex from being contracted in marriage: “No parties shall be contracted between parties of the same sex.”

3. Because this prohibition represents an outmoded view of marriage, the Council now wishes to delete Section 6(c) so that same-sex parties may lawfully contract to marry pursuant to Tribal law.

4. In deleting Section 6(c), the Council intends that all other provisions of the Marriage Ordinance shall remain and shall in full force and effect.

5. Deletion of Section 6(c) of the Marriage Ordinance is in the best interests of the Tribe.

Section 2. Amendment of Section 6 of Ordinance No. 01-01, entitled “Marriage Ordinance”. Section 6 of Ordinance No. 01-01, entitled “Marriage Ordinance” is hereby amended by deleting subsection 6(c) thereof.

Section 3. Severability. If any part of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be effected thereby and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

Section 4. Repeal of All Prior or Inconsistent Ordinances. The provisions of any ordinances or resolutions previously enacted by the Tribal Council which are inconsistent with
any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its passage.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the Business Council of the Blue Lake Rancheria passed this Ordinance at a duly called meeting at which a quorum was present on November 1, 2013 by a vote of 5 in favor, 2 against, 2 abstained, absent.

Claudia Brundin
Chairperson, Claudia Brundin

Arthur Ramsey
Secretary, Arthur Ramsey

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