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From: Jay Pearson <<u>JPearson@house.virginia.gov</u>> Subject: Re: FOIA Request Date: October 25, 2023 at 10:10:30 AM EDT To: JERRILYNN MACGREGOR <<u>staffordhistory1@verizon.net</u>>

Mr. & Mrs. MacGregor,

The House Indexing & Enrolling Department just printed the Resolution. Any information is generated directly from the Patron's Office. In this case it is former Speaker William Howell from Stafford, Virginia. The Legislative history to the Resolution is public information and can be found here <a href="https://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?ses=101&typ=bil&val=HJ150">https://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?ses=101&typ=bil&val=HJ150</a>.

Regards, Jay

Jay Pearson Virginia House of Delegates Sergeant at Arms and House Information & Communications Services Director (804) 698-1524 (o) (804) 614-4924 (c) JPearson@house.virginia.gov http://virginiageneralassembly.gov/ From: JERRILYNN MACGREGOR <<u>staffordhistory1@verizon.net</u>>
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2023 8:29 AM
To: Jay Pearson <<u>JPearson@house.virginia.gov</u>>
Subject: Fwd: FOIA Request

FOIA House Joint Resolution No. 150 (2010)

Dear Mr. Pearson,

It would appear that we are being led around in a circle that leads back to you. It seems to us that since the House created this resolution, that someone in the House should have copies of the very documents that supposedly proved that this group of people are indeed whom they claim to be. Apparently, the FOIA Council agrees that the House should be the repository. Since the Patawomeck Indian Tribe of Virginia is currently receiving public funding and benefits, shouldn't the very entity that gave them such standing be able to provide the documents that convinced the entire General Assembly of their legitimacy to anyone who asks? Are there no records of any General Assembly member even seeing these elusive documents? Was this resolution passed on the mere presumption that these documents existed? Are there no records of any comments/questions, yea or nay, from the House members concerning these important documents? Are there no records of any discussions or deliberation over the passing of this resolution? Are there no records of this matter going before the Virginia Council on Indians? Are there no records of the VCI approving or denying the applicants prior to the resolution being passed? Are resolutions with such consequence as this simply passed on a whim? Are not our elected officials accountable for actions that have such a consequencial impact on a community? Shouldn't copies of documents of this significance exist somewhere in the official records? We want to know where we can find these elusive documents that convinced every member of the General Assembly that this group was/is legitimate. We believe, as tax paying citizens of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that we have a right to know if these documents ever existed. Is it possible that the Senate might have copies of these important documents?

Thank you, Rick and Jerrilynn MacGregor 296 Olde Concord Stafford, VA 22554 (540) 220-6457 c (540) 659-8206 h staffordhistory1@verizon.net Begin forwarded message:

From: FOIA Council <<u>foiacouncil@dls.virginia.gov</u>> Subject: Re: FOIA Request Date: October 24, 2023 at 4:23:35 PM EDT To: JERRILYNN MACGREGOR <<u>staffordhistory1@verizon.net</u>>

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On Mon, Oct 23, 2023 at 5:31 PM JERRILYNN MACGREGOR <<u>staffordhistory1@verizon.net</u>> wrote: To Whom It May Concern,

We are submitting a FOIA request for the following records/documents: any and all documents referred to in House Joint Resolution 150 extending state recognition to the Patawomeck Indian Tribe of Virginia, Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 18, 2010; Agreed to by the Senate, February 16, 2010. Specifically, we are requesting copies of any and all oral, family, church, land, ancestry and other records referred to in the resolution as supporting documentation for this group's receiving state recognition. We would additionally like any correspondence specifically discussing this matter prior to and after House Joint Resolution 150.

Thank you,

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