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**Grand Chief Black Hawk**



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We send Spiritual Blessings to Madame Chair, and to all of our Brothers and Sisters attending the 8th session of the Permanent Forum of Indigenous Peoples. Grand Chief Black Hawk and his wife Chief Red Fox, Prime Minister Chief Red Tail Hawk and Spiritual Adviser Archbishop John Milton Isaac Brown III, PhD, all express their good wishes for the continuing work of the Forum.

As Ambassador at Large for the Mt. Arafat Embassy "Clan" Yamassee Native Americans, the Official Custodian of the Yamassee Native American Government, we offer our recommendations on **Economic & Social Development Issues** from the perspective of Indigenous "*Citizens of the World.*" As a variety of countries & cultures begin to more directly impact on one another's Economic and Social Development through the Global Influence of interconnected businesses and technologies, it becomes more vital and urgent that we proactively seek Viable and "Self-Sustaining Eco-Friendly Business Models where Indigenous Peoples' closer relationship with Nature and Living in balance with Mother Earth is incorporated into mainstream "Green Environment Business Models." It has become painfully evident to the Modern World that all Human Beings and Living things are in jeopardy of extinction unless we change the basic paradigm of our Global Economic and Social Habits! Today, the clear and unavoidable truth is that we both need to share the benefits of what the other has to offer without the Indigenous Peoples having to relinquish Cultural and Intellectual participation.

Free, Prior and Informed Consent of the Indigenous Peoples is a recognized goal. However, Negative Stereotypes of Indigenous Peoples continues to overly influence Business Decisions made in Major Corporate Boardrooms and Governmental Bodies. The best known and most successful models of change away from these harmful policies is being realized through the interactive exchange of Indigenous and Modern Cultures where **RESPECT** is given to the ideas, philosophies and technologies of by both sides towards solutions to a Common Threat - Extinction! For the first time in recent memory there has been an ever increasing interest from the general public in the timeless Wisdom of Elder Cultures of Indigenous Peoples around the world. This is our best opportunity to

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achieve a new level of parity and cooperation between Cultures of Indigenous Peoples Nations and Modern Societies. For example, many books are being published about the Mayan Calendar ending in the year, 2012. However, the Mayan People and the Yamassee People do not necessarily believe that the World will end in that year. Instead, our cultures point toward a "New Beginning" in which a different and more "Enlightened Way of Living" will begin. Our People are moving forward to establish a National Bank that will focus business grants, loans, etcetera to those who clearly demonstrate that their business practices, procedures and employee policies are in harmony with Mother Earth and her Living Beings! There are many Human Beings with whom we are currently working who share our desire and destiny to be a part of that "Enlightened Way of Living" by actively participating in Economic & Social Changes that will benefit all Human Beings and Living Things on Mother Earth. We encourage others share in the Vision of our Ancestors. The Vision and Directive from them is to Help Our Sisters & Brothers throughout the World to awaken to the "Enlightened Way of Living!" We share with this Forum the following five recommendations:

- Empower Prosperity! Choose Prosperity over Poverty in Language and in Deeds.
- Exchange and Embrace Cultural Wisdoms! Choose Cultural Arts Communication over Combative Conflicts.
- Protect Mother Earth & Her Living Beings! Choose Love of Life over the Fatality of Fear.
- With Freedom Comes Responsibility! Choose Respect for Right over Good from Greed.
- Live in PEACE!

We, the Yamassee Native American Indigenous, offer these words of the "Enlightened Way of Living" from the Wisdom of our Ancestors. We share it with you, our Sisters & Brothers so, that you may consider yourselves to be "Citizen of the World" as do we. Therefore, we understand that we empower ourselves by taking responsibility to effect change by positive action! The Yamassee People are in the process of participating in viable Eco-Friendly Projects to empower our economic and social/spiritual ability to help others.

We are an Ancient and Noble People who honor and practice Harmony and Balance with Mother Earth. We offer our participation toward solutions for "Indigenous Peoples" and the "Other Nations." Our challenges are "Human ones." It takes "Real Human Beings" to help solve our challenges together.

Peace.

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