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Mr. Hollings (for himself and Mr. Thurmond) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2	This Act may be cited as the "Catawba Indian Tribe
3	of South Carolina Land Claims Settlement Act of 1993".
4	SEC. 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY, CONGRESSIONAL FIND-
5	INGS AND PURPOSE.
6	(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress declares and finds
7	that:
8	(1) It is the policy of the United States to pro-
9	mote tribal self-determination and economic self-suf-
10	ficiency and to support the resolution of disputes
11	over historical claims through settlements mutually
12	agreed to by Indian and non-Indian parties.
13	(2) There is pending before the United States
14	District Court for the District of South Carolina a
15	lawsuit disputing ownership of approximately
16	140,000 acres of land in the State of South Carolina
17	and other rights of the Catawba Indian Tribe under
18	Federal law.
19	(3) The Catawba Indian Tribe has also initiated
20	a related lawsuit against the United States in the
21	United States Court of Federal Claims seeking mon-
22	etary damages.
23	(4) Some of the significant historical events
24	which have led to the present situation include:
25	(A) In treaties with the Crown in 1760
26	and 1763, the Tribe ceded vast portions of its

aboriginal territory in the present States of

North and South Carolina in return for guarantees of being quietly settled on a 144,000-acre
reservation.

(B) The Tribe's district court suit contended that in 1840 the Tribe and the State entered into an agreement without Federal approval or participation whereby the Tribe ceded its treaty reservation to the State, thereby giving rise to the Tribe's claim that it was dispossessed of its lands in violation of Federal law.

(C) In 1943, the United States entered into an agreement with the Tribe and the State to provide services to the Tribe and its members. The State purchased 3,434 acres of land and conveyed it to the Secretary in trust for the Tribe and the Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act.

(D) In 1959, Congress enacted the Catawba Tribe of South Carolina Division of Assets Act, 25 U.S.C. 931–938. Federal agents assured the Tribe that if the Tribe would release the Government from its obligation under the 1943 agreement and agree to Federal legislation terminating the Federal trust relation-

ship and liquidating the 1943 reservation, the status of the Tribe's land claim would not be jeopardized by termination.

(E) In 1980, the Tribe initiated Federal court litigation to regain possession of its treaty lands and in 1986, the United States Supreme Court ruled in South Carolina against Catawba Indian Tribe that the 1959 Act resulted in the application of State statutes of limitations to the Tribe's land claim. Two subsequent decisions of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit have held that some portion of the Tribe's claim is barred by State statutes of limitations and that some portion is not barred.

(5) The pendency of these lawsuits has led to substantial economic and social hardship for a large number of landowners, citizens and communities in the State of South Carolina, including the Catawba Indian Tribe. Congress recognizes that if these claims are not resolved, further litigation against tens of thousands of landowners would be likely; that any final resolution of pending disputes through a process of litigation would take many years and entail great expenses to all parties; continue eco-

- nomically and socially damaging controversies; prolong uncertainty as to the ownership of property; and seriously impair long-term economic planning and development for all parties.
  - (6) The 102d Congress has enacted legislation suspending until October 1, 1993, the running of any unexpired statute of limitation applicable to the Tribe's land claim in order to provide additional time to negotiate settlement of these claims.
  - (7) It is recognized that both Indian and non-Indian parties enter into this settlement to resolve the disputes raised in these lawsuits and to derive certain benefits. The parties' Settlement Agreement constitutes a good faith effort to resolve these lawsuits and other claims and requires implementing legislation by the Congress of the United States, the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, and the governing bodies of the South Carolina counties of York and Lancaster.
  - (8) To advance the goals of the Federal policy of Indian self-determination and restoration of terminated Indian tribes, and in recognition of the United States obligation to the Tribe and the Federal policy of settling historical Indian claims through comprehensive settlement agreements, it is

1	appropriate that the United States participate in the
2	funding and implementation of the Settlement
3	Agreement.
4	(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this Act—
5	(1) to approve, ratify, and confirm the Settle-
6	ment Agreement entered into by the non-Indian set-
7	tlement parties and the Tribe;
8	(2) to authorize and direct the Secretary to im-
9	plement the terms of such Settlement Agreement;
10	(3) to authorize the actions and appropriations
11	necessary to implement the provisions of the Settle-
12	ment Agreement and this Act;
13	(4) to remove the cloud on titles in the State
14	of South Carolina resulting from the Tribe's land
15	<del>claim; and</del>
16	(5) to restore the trust relationship between the
17	Tribe and the United States.
18	SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.
19	For purposes of this Act:
20	(1) The term "Tribe" means the Catawba In-
21	dian Tribe of South Carolina as constituted in ab-
22	original times, which was party to the Treaty of
	Ding Tues Hill in 1700 as confirmed by the Tuests
23	Pine Tree Hill in 1760 as confirmed by the Treaty

Treaty of Nation Ford in 1840, and which was the

- subject of the Termination Act, and all predecessors and successors in interest, including the Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina, Inc.
- (2) The term "claim" or "claims" means any claim which was asserted by the Tribe in either Suit, and any other claim which could have been asserted by the Tribe or any Catawba Indian of a right, title or interest in property, to trespass or property damages, or of hunting, fishing or other rights to natural resources, if such claim is based upon aboriginal title, recognized title, or title by grant, patent, or treaty including the Treaty of Pine Tree Hill of 1760, the Treaty of Augusta of 1763, or the Treaty of Nation Ford of 1840.
  - (3) The term "Executive Committee" means the body of the Tribe composed of the Tribe's executive officers as selected by the Tribe in accordance with its constitution.
  - (4) The term "Existing Reservation" means that tract of approximately 630 acres conveyed to the State in trust for the Tribe by J.M. Doby on December 24, 1842, by deed recorded in York County Deed Book N, pp. 340–341.
- (5) The term "General Council" means the membership of the Tribe convened as the Tribe's

- governing body for the purpose of conducting tribal
  business pursuant to the Tribe's constitution.
  - (6) The terms "internal matters" or "internal tribal matters" mean matters which include (but are not limited to) the relationship between the Tribe and one or more of its Members, the conduct of tribal government over Members, and the Tribe's exercise of the power to exclude individuals from the Reservation.
    - (7) The term "Member" means individuals who are members of the Tribe as determined in accordance with this Act.
    - (8) The term "Reservation" or "Expanded Reservation" means the Existing Reservation and the lands added to the Existing Reservation in accordance with section 14 of this Act, which are to be held in trust by the Secretary in accordance with this Act.
    - (9) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.
    - (10) The term "Settlement Agreement" means the document entitled "Agreement in Principle" between the Tribe and the State of South Carolina and attached to the copy of the State implementing legis-

- lation and filed with the Secretary of State of the
   State of South Carolina.
- 3 (11) The term "State" means, except for sec-4 tions 6 (a) through (f) and subsections (d)(2) and 5 (h) of section 18 of this Act, the State of South 6 Carolina.
  - (12) The term "Suit" or "Suits" means Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina v. State of South Carolina, et al., docketed as Civil Action No. 80–2050 and filed in the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina; and Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina v. The United States of America, docketed as Civil Action No. 90–553L and filed in the United States Court of Federal Claims.
    - (13) The term "Termination Act" means the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the division of the tribal assets of the Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina among the members of the tribe and for other purposes", approved September 21, 1959 (73 Stat. 592; 25 U.S.C. 931–938).
    - (14) The term "transfer" includes (but is not limited to) any voluntary or involuntary sale, grant, lease, allotment, partition, or other conveyance; any transaction the purpose of which was to effect a

- 1 sale, grant, lease, allotment, partition, or convey-
- 2 ance; and any act, event or circumstance that re-
- 3 sulted in a change in title to, possession of, domin-
- 4 ion over, or control of land, water, minerals, timber,
- 5 or other natural resources.
- 6 (15) The term "Trust Funds" means the trust
- 7 funds established by section 13 of this Act.

#### 8 SEC. 4. RESTORATION OF FEDERAL TRUST RELATIONSHIP.

- 9 (a) RESTORATION OF THE FEDERAL TRUST RELA-
- 10 TIONSHIP.—On the effective date of this Act, the trust re-
- 11 lationship between the Tribe and the United States shall
- 12 be restored.
- 13 (b) Eligibility for Federal Benefits and
- 14 Services.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
- 15 on the same date as the trust relationship is restored, the
- 16 Tribe and the Members shall be eligible for all benefits
- 17 and services furnished to federally recognized Indian
- 18 tribes and their members because of their status as Indi-
- 19 ans. On the effective date of this Act, the Secretary shall
- 20 enter the Tribe on the list of federally recognized bands
- 21 and tribes maintained by the Department of the Interior;
- 22 and its members shall be entitled to special services, edu-
- 23 cational benefits, medical care, and welfare assistance pro-
- 24 vided by the United States to Indians because of their sta-
- 25 tus as Indians, and the Tribe shall be entitled to the spe-

- 1 cial services performed by the United States for tribes be-
- 2 cause of their status as Indian tribes.
- 3 (c) HEALTH CARDS.—In addition to any other enti-
- 4 tlement or eligibility the Tribe or Members may have be-
- 5 cause of their status as Indians, the Indian Health Service
- 6 shall issue health cards for use by any Member in a health
- 7 care facility of their choosing approved by the Indian
- 8 Health Service as to quality of care. Such health card shall
- 9 entitle the Member to the same level of care as is available
- 10 at any Indian health care facility or through contract
- 11 health care for Indians.
- 12 (d) Repeal of Termination Act.—The Termi-
- 13 nation Act is repealed, and the provisions of the Termi-
- 14 nation Act shall not apply to the Tribe or Members after
- 15 the effective date of this Act.
- 16 (e) Effect on Property Rights and Other Ob-
- 17 LIGATIONS.—Except as otherwise specifically provided in
- 18 this Act, this Act shall not affect any property right or
- 19 <del>obligation or any contractual right or obligation in exist-</del>
- 20 ence before the effective date of this Act, or any obligation
- 21 for taxes levied before that date.
- 22 (f) EXTENT OF JURISDICTION.—This Act shall not
- 23 be construed to empower the Tribe with special jurisdic-
- 24 tion or to deprive the State of jurisdiction other than as
- 25 expressly provided by this Act or by the State implement-

- 1 ing legislation. The jurisdiction and governmental powers
- 2 of the Tribe shall be solely those set forth in this Act and
- 3 the State implementing legislation.
- 4 (g) IMPACT AID.—For purposes of the Act of Sep-
- 5 tember 30, 1950 (Public Law 874, 81st Congress; 20
- 6 U.S.C. 236 et seq.), if any property within the school dis-
- 7 trict of any local educational agency is occupied by any
- 8 part of the Expanded Reservation, such local educational
- 9 agency shall be considered to have fulfilled the require-
- 10 ments of section 2 of such Act and shall be eligible for
- 11 payments under section 3 of such Act.
- 12 SEC. 5. SETTLEMENT FUNDS.
- 13 (a) AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATION.—There is
- 14 hereby authorized to be appropriated \$32,000,000 for the
- 15 Federal share which shall be deposited in the trust funds
- 16 established pursuant to section 13 of this Act or paid pur-
- 17 suant to section 6(g).
- 18 (b) DISBURSEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SETTLE-
- 19 MENT AGREEMENT.—The Federal Funds appropriated
- 20 pursuant to this Act shall be disbursed in five equal an-
- 21 nual installments of \$6,400,000 beginning in the fiscal
- 22 year following enactment of this Act. Funds transferred
- 23 to the Secretary from other sources shall be deposited in
- 24 the trust funds established pursuant to section 13 of this

- 1 Act or paid pursuant to section 6(g) within 30 days of
- 2 receipt by the Secretary.
- 3 (c) Private Funds.—Any private payments made to
- 4 settle the claims may be treated, at the election of the
- 5 taxpayer, as either a payment in settlement of litigation
- 6 or a charitable contribution for Federal income tax pur-
- 7 poses.
- 8 (d) FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL AND PRIVATE CON-
- 9 TRIBUTIONS HELD IN TRUST BY SECRETARY.—The Sec-
- 10 retary shall, on behalf of the Tribe, collect those contribu-
- 11 tions toward settlement appropriated or received by the
- 12 State pursuant to section 5.2 of the Settlement Agreement
- 13 and shall either hold such funds totalling \$18,000,000, to-
- 14 gether with the Federal funds appropriated pursuant to
- 15 this Act, in trust for the Tribe pursuant to the provisions
- 16 of section 13 of this Act or pay such funds pursuant to
- 17 section 6(g) of this Act.
- $18\,$  sec. 6. ratification of prior transfers; extinguish-
- 19 MENT OF ABORIGINAL TITLE, RIGHTS AND
- 20 **CLAIMS.**
- 21 (a) RATIFICATION OF TRANSFERS.—Any transfer of
- 22 land or natural resources located anywhere within the
- 23 United States from, by, or on behalf of the Tribe, any
- 24 one or more of its Members, or anyone purporting to be
- 25 a Member, including but without limitation any transfer

- 1 pursuant to any treaty, compact, or statute of any State,
- 2 shall be deemed to have been made in accordance with
- 3 the Constitution and all laws of the United States, and
- 4 Congress hereby does approve and ratify any such transfer
- 5 effective as of the date of said transfer. Nothing in this
- 6 section shall be construed to affect or eliminate the per-
- 7 sonal claim of any individual Member (except for any Fed-
- 8 eral common law fraud claim) which is pursued under any
- 9 law of general applicability that protects non-Indians as
- 10 well as Indians.
- 11 (b) Aboriginal Title.—To the extent that any
- 12 transfer of land or natural resources described in sub-
- 13 section (a) of this section may involve land or natural re-
- 14 sources to which the Tribe, any of its Members, or anyone
- 15 purporting to be a Member, or any other Indian, Indian
- 16 nation, or tribe or band of Indians had aboriginal title,
- 17 subsection (a) of this section shall be regarded as an extin-
- 18 guishment of aboriginal title as of the date of such
- 19 transfer.
- 20 (c) EXTINGUISHMENT OF CLAIMS.—By virtue of the
- 21 approval and ratification of any transfer of land or natural
- 22 resources effected by this section, or the extinguishment
- 23 of aboriginal title effected thereby, all claims against the
- 24 United States, any State or subdivision thereof, or any
- 25 other person or entity, by the Tribe, any of its Members,

- 1 or anyone purporting to be a Member, or any predecessors
- 2 or successors in interest thereof or any other Indian, In-
- 3 dian Nation, or tribe or band of Indians, arising at the
- 4 time of or subsequent to the transfer and based on any
- 5 interest in or right involving such land or natural re-
- 6 sources, including without limitation claims for trespass
- 7 damages or claims for use and occupancy, shall be deemed
- 8 extinguished as of the date of the transfer.
- 9 (d) EXTINGUISHMENT OF TITLE.—(1) All claims and
- 10 all right, title, and interest that the Tribe, its Members,
- 11 or any person or group of persons purporting to be Ca-
- 12 tawba Indians may have to aboriginal title, recognized
- 13 title, or title by grant, patent, or treaty to the lands lo-
- 14 cated anywhere in the United States are hereby extin-
- 15 guished.
- 16 (2) This extinguishment of claims shall also extin-
- 17 guish title to any hunting, fishing, or water rights or
- 18 rights to any other natural resource claimed by the Tribe
- 19 or a Member based on aboriginal or treaty recognized title,
- 20 and all trespass damages and other damages associated
- 21 with use, occupancy or possession, or entry upon such
- 22 lands.
- 23 (e) BAR TO FUTURE CLAIMS.—The United States is
- 24 hereby barred from asserting by or on behalf of the Tribe
- 25 or any of its Members, or anyone purporting to be a Mem-

- 1 ber, any claim arising before the date of enactment of this
- 2 Act from the transfer of any land or natural resources
- 3 by deed or other grant, or by treaty, compact, or act of
- 4 law, on the grounds that such transfer was not made in
- 5 accordance with the laws of South Carolina or the
- 6 Constitution or laws of the United States.
- 7 (f) No Derogation of Fee Simple in Existing
- 8 Reservation. Nothing in this section shall be con-
- 9 strued to diminish or derogate from the fee simple estate
- 10 in the Existing Reservation or fee simple owned by mem-
- 11 bers.
- 12 (g) Costs and Attorneys' Fees. The parties to
- 13 the Suits shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees
- 14 except that the Secretary shall approve and pay to the
- 15 Tribe's attorneys in the Suits reasonable attorneys' fees
- 16 and expenses not to exceed 10 percent of the \$50,000,000
- 17 obligated for payment to the Tribe by Federal, State,
- 18 local, and private parties pursuant to section 5 of the Set-
- 19 tlement Agreement.
- 20 (h) Personal Claims Not Affected. Nothing in
- 21 this section shall be deemed to affect, diminish, or elimi-
- 22 nate the personal claim of any individual Indian which is
- 23 pursued under any law of general applicability (other than
- 24 Federal common law fraud) that protects non-Indians as
- 25 well as Indians.

#### 1 SEC. 7. TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP.

2	(a) MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA.—A person shall be con-
3	sidered a member of the Tribe and his or her name shall
4	be carried on the membership roll if the person is living
5	on the date of enactment of this Act and—
6	(1) his or her name was listed on the member-
7	ship roll published by the Secretary in the Federal
8	Register on February 25, 1961 (26 Federal Register
9	1680–1688, "Notice of Final Membership Roll"),
10	and he or she is not excluded under the provisions
11	of subsection (b); or
12	(2) The Executive Committee determines, based
13	on the criteria used to compile the roll referred to
14	in paragraph (1), that his or her name should have
15	been included on the membership roll at that time,
16	but was not; or
17	(3) he or she is a lineal descendant of a Mem-
18	ber whose name appeared or should have appeared
19	on the membership roll referred to in paragraph (1).
20	(b) REVISION OF MEMBERSHIP ROLL. The Tribe
21	shall revise and update its membership roll to include
22	those persons eligible for membership under subsection (a)
23	and excluding any persons found to have been erroneously
24	listed.

1	(c) FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE.—As soon as prac-
2	ticable after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
3	publish in the Federal Register a notice stating:
4	(1) That the rolls of the Tribe are open and will
5	remain open for a period of 90 days.
6	(2) The requirements for membership.
7	(3) The final membership roll as of September
8	<del>21, 1959.</del>
9	(4) The updated membership roll as prepared
10	by the Executive Committee and approved by the
11	General Council.
12	(5) The name and address of the tribal or Fed-
13	eral official to whom inquiries should be made.
14	(d) Finalizing Membership Roll. Within 120
15	days after publication of notice under subsection (c), the
16	Secretary, after consultation with the Tribe, shall prepare
17	and publish in the Federal Register a proposed final roll
18	of the Tribe's membership. Within 60 days from the date
19	of publication of the proposed final roll, an appeal may
20	be filed with the Executive Committee under rules made
21	by the Executive Committee in consultation with the Sec-
22	retary. Such an appeal may be filed by a Member with
23	respect to the inclusion of any name on the proposed mem-
24	bership roll and by any person with respect to the exclu-

25 sion of his or her name from the membership roll. The

- 1 Executive Committee shall review such appeals and render
- 2 a decision, subject to the Secretary's approval. If the Ex-
- 3 ecutive Committee and the Secretary disagree, the Sec-
- 4 retary's decision will be final. All such appeals shall be
- 5 resolved within 90 days following publication of the pro-
- 6 posed roll. The final membership roll of the Tribe shall
- 7 then be published in the Federal Register and shall be
- 8 final for purposes of the distribution of funds from the
- 9 Per Capita Trust Fund.
- 10 (e) FUTURE MEMBERSHIP IN THE TRIBE. The
- 11 Tribe shall have the right to determine future membership
- 12 in the Tribe; however, in no event may an individual be
- 13 added to the final membership roll which is compiled in
- 14 accordance with subsection (d) unless an individual is a
- 15 lineal descendent of a person on such final membership
- 16 <del>roll.</del>
- 17 SEC. 8. TRANSITIONAL AND PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.
- 18 (a) FUTURE TRIBAL GOVERNMENT. The Tribe
- 19 shall adopt a new constitution within 24 months after en-
- 20 actment of this Act.
- 21 (b) Executive Committee as Transitional
- 22 Body. (1) Until the Tribe has adopted a constitution,
- 23 the existing tribal constitution shall remain in effect and
- 24 the Executive Committee is recognized as the provisional
- 25 and transitional governing body of the Tribe. For a period

1	not to exceed 24 months from the date of enactment of
2	this Act, the Executive Committee shall—
3	(A) represent the Tribe and its Members in the
4	implementation of this Act; and
5	(B) during such period—
6	(i) have full authority to enter into con-
7	tracts, grant agreements and other arrange-
8	ments with any Federal department or agency;
9	and
10	(ii) have full authority to administer or op-
11	erate any program under such contracts or
12	agreements.
13	(2) Until the initial election of tribal officers under
14	a new constitution and by laws, the Executive Committee
15	<del>shall</del> —
16	(A) determine tribal membership in accordance
17	with the provisions of section 7; and
18	(B) oversee and implement the revision and
19	proposal to the Tribe of a new constitution and con-
20	duct such tribal meetings and elections as required
21	by this Act.
22	SEC. 9. TRIBAL CONSTITUTION AND GOVERNANCE.
23	(a) Indian Reorganization Act.—If the Tribe so
24	elects, it may organize under the Act of June 18, 1934
25	(25 U.S.C. 461 et seg.; commonly referred to as the "In-

- 1 dian Reorganization Act"). The Tribe shall be subject to
- 2 such Act except to the extent such sections are inconsist-
- 3 ent with this Act.
- 4 (b) Adoption of New Tribal Constitution.—
- 5 Within 180 days after the enactment of this Act, the Exec-
- 6 utive Committee shall draft and distribute to each Member
- 7 eligible to vote under the Tribal constitution in effect on
- 8 the date of enactment of this Act, a proposed constitution
- 9 and bylaws for the Tribe together with a brief, impartial
- 10 description of the proposed constitution and bylaws and
- 11 a notice of the date, time and location of the election under
- 12 this subsection. Not sooner than 30 days or later than 90
- 13 days after the distribution of the proposed constitution,
- 14 the Executive Committee shall conduct a secret-ballot elec-
- 15 tion to adopt a new constitution and bylaws.
- 16 (c) Majority Vote for Adoption; Procedure in
- 17 Event of Failure to Adopt Proposed Constitu-
- 18 TION. (1) The tribal constitution and bylaws shall be
- 19 ratified and adopted if—
- 20 (A) not less than 30 percent of those entitled
- 21 to vote do vote; and
- 22 (B) approved by a majority of those actually
- 23 voting.
- 24 (2) If in any such election such majority does not ap-
- 25 prove the adoption of the proposed constitution and by-

- 1 laws, the Executive Committee shall prepare another pro-
- 2 posed constitution and bylaws and present it to the Tribe
- 3 in the same manner provided in this section for the first
- 4 constitution and bylaws. Such new proposed constitution
- 5 and bylaws shall be distributed to the eligible voters of
- 6 the Tribe no later than 180 days after the date of the
- 7 election in which the first proposed constitution and by-
- 8 laws failed of adoption. An election on the question of the
- 9 adoption of the new proposal of the Executive Committee
- 10 shall be conducted in the same manner provided in sub-
- 11 section (b) for the election on the first proposed constitu-
- 12 tion and bylaws.
- 13 (d) ELECTION OF TRIBAL OFFICERS. Within 120
- 14 days after the Tribe ratifies and adopts a constitution and
- 15 bylaws, the Executive Committee shall conduct an election
- 16 by secret ballot for the purpose of electing tribal officials
- 17 as provided in the constitution and bylaws. Subsequent
- 18 elections shall be held in accordance with the Tribe's con-
- 19 stitution and bylaws.
- 20 (e) EXTENSION OF TIME. Any time periods pre-
- 21 scribed in subsections (b) and (c) may be altered by writ-
- 22 ten agreement between the Executive Committee and the
- 23 Secretary.

1	SEC. 10. JURISDICTION AND GOVERNANCE OF THE RES
2	ERVATION.
3	(a) Powers of Tribe. (1) Regardless of whether
4	the Tribe elects to organize under the Act of June 18
5	1934, under section 9(a), in any constitution adopted by
6	the Tribe, the Tribe may be authorized to exercise author-
7	ity as consistent with the Settlement Agreement and this
8	Act—
9	(A) to regulate the use and disposition of tribal
10	<del>property;</del>
11	(B) to define laws, petty crimes, and rules of
12	conduct applicable to Members while on the Reserva-
13	tion, supplementing but not supplanting the criminal
14	laws of the State;
15	(C) to regulate the conduct of businesses lo-
16	cated on the Reservation and individuals residing on
17	the Reservation;
18	(D) to levy taxes on Members and levy other
19	taxes as provided by this Act and by the Settlement
20	Agreement;
21	(E) to grant exemptions, abatements, or waiv-
22	ers from any tribal laws, tribal regulations, or tribal
23	taxes, except the Tribal Sales and Use Taxes, other-
24	wise applicable on the Reservation, including waivers
25	of the jurisdiction of any tribal court;
26	(F) to adopt its own form of government:

1	(G) to determine membership as provided by
2	this Act;
3	(H) to exclude non-members from its member-
4	ship rolls and from the Reservation, except for—
5	(i) any public roads traversing the Res-
6	ervation;
7	(ii) passage on and use of the Catawba
8	River;
9	(iii) public or private easements encumber-
10	ing the Reservation properly used by those with
11	authority to use such easements;
12	(iv) Federal, State and local governmental
13	officials and employees duly performing official
14	governmental functions on the Reservation; and
15	(v) any other access to the Reservation al-
16	lowed by Federal law; and
17	(I) to charter tribally owned economic develop-
18	ment corporations and enterprises provided the cor-
19	porations or enterprises register with the Secretary
20	of State for South Carolina as a domestic or foreign
21	corporation when doing business off the Reservation.
22	(2) Except as otherwise provided in this Act and in
23	the Settlement Agreement, the Tribe shall exercise full au-
24	thority over internal matters.

- 25 (b) INDIAN CIVIL RIGHTS ACT.—The Tribe shall be 1 subject to titles II through VII of Public Law 90-284, as amended (25 U.S.C. 1301 et seq.; commonly referred to as the "Indian Civil Rights Act") which shall apply to the Reservation, any tribal court, and anyone subject to the jurisdiction of the Tribe. SEC. 11. CRIMINAL JURISDICTION. 8 (a) Criminal Jurisdiction Generally.—Except as provided in subsection (b), the State shall exercise exclusive jurisdiction over all crimes under the statutory or common law of the State of South Carolina. 12 (b) Criminal Jurisdiction of Tribal Court.— (1) Any constitution adopted by the Tribe may provide
- 13 (1) Any constitution adopted by the Tribe may provide
  14 for a tribal court with original and appellate criminal
  15 jurisdiction, subject to the following limitations:
- 16 (A) The territorial jurisdiction of the court shall
  17 be limited to the Reservation.
- 18 (B) The jurisdiction of the court over persons
  19 shall be limited to Members.
  - (C) The subject matter jurisdiction of the court shall be limited to crimes within the jurisdiction of the State's Magistrates' Courts and to any additional misdemeanors and petty offenses specified in the ordinances or laws adopted by the Tribe.

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1	(D) The fines and penalties for such mis-
2	demeanors and offenses shall not exceed the maxi-
3	mum fines and penalties that a State magistrate's
4	court may impose.
5	(2) In all cases in which the tribal court has jurisdic-
6	tion over State law—
7	(A) its jurisdiction shall be concurrent with the
8	jurisdiction of the Magistrates' Court of the State;
9	and
10	(B) defendants shall have the right to remove
11	such cases to the Magistrates' Court or appeal their
12	convictions in tribal court cases to the General Ses-
13	sions Court, in the same manner that Magistrates'
14	Court's decisions may be appealed, or in accordance
15	with such procedures as the South Carolina General
16	Assembly may provide.
17	(3) In cases where the tribal court is applying those
18	additional ordinances or laws adopted by the Tribe in ac-
19	cordance with this subsection, it shall have exclusive juris-
20	diction.
21	(c) PEACE OFFICERS. For the purpose of enforcing
22	the Tribe's powers under sections 10(a), 11, and 17 of
23	this Act, the Tribe may employ peace officers. The employ-

24 ment and authority of peace officers shall be in the man-

- 1 ner prescribed in the Settlement Agreement and the State
- 2 implementing legislation.
- 3 SEC. 12. CIVIL JURISDICTION OF TRIBAL COURT.
- 4 (a) Jurisdiction as Prescribed by This Act.—
- 5 (1) The Tribe may provide in its constitution for a Tribal
- 6 Court having civil jurisdiction which may extend up to,
- 7 but not exceed, the extent provided by this Act. The Tribe
- 8 may have a court of original jurisdiction, as well as an
- 9 appellate court.
- 10 (2)(A) With respect to actions on contracts, the Trib-
- 11 al Court may be vested with jurisdiction over the following:
- 12 (i) An action on a contract to which the Tribe
- or a Member is a party, which expressly provides in
- 14 writing that the Tribal Court has concurrent or ex-
- 15 clusive jurisdiction.
- 16 (ii) An action on a contract between the Tribe
- or a Member and other parties or agents thereof
- who are physically present on the Reservation when
- 19 the contract is made, which is to be performed in
- 20 part on the Reservation so long as the contract does
- 21 not expressly exclude jurisdiction of the Tribal
- 22 Court.
- 23 (iii) An action on a contract to which the Tribe
- or a Member of the Tribe is a party where more
- 25 than 50 percent of the services to be rendered are

- 1 performed on the Reservation so long as the contract
- 2 does not expressly exclude jurisdiction of the Tribal
- 3 Court.
- 4 (B) For purposes of this paragraph, the delivery of
- 5 goods or the solicitation of business on the Reservation
- 6 shall not constitute part performance sufficient to confer
- 7 <del>jurisdiction.</del>
- 8 (3) With respect to actions in tort, the Tribal Court
- 9 may be vested with jurisdiction over the following:
- 10 (A) An action arising out of an intentional tort,
- as defined by South Carolina law, committed on the
- 12 Reservation in which recovery is sought for bodily
- injuries and/or damages to tangible property located
- on the Reservation.
- 15 (B) An action arising out of negligent tortious
- 16 conduct occurring on the Reservation or conduct oc-
- 17 curring on the Reservation for which strict liability
- 18 may be imposed, excluding, however, accidents oc-
- 19 curring within the right-of-way limits of any high-
- 20 way, road, or other public easement owned or main-
- 21 tained by the State or any of its subdivisions, or by
- 22 the United States, which abuts or crosses the Res-
- 23 ervation. Any such action in tort involving a non-
- 24 Member of the Tribe as defendant may be removed
- 25 to a State or Federal court of appropriate jurisdic-

- 1 tion if the amount in controversy exceeds the juris-
- 2 dictional limits then applicable to Magistrate's
- 3 Courts in the State of South Carolina.
- 4 (4) The Tribal Court may be vested with exclusive
- 5 jurisdiction over internal matters of the Tribe.
- 6 (5) The Tribal Court may be vested with jurisdiction
- 7 over domestic relations where both spouses to the mar-
- 8 riage are Members and both reside on the Reservation or
- 9 last resided together on the Reservation before the separa-
- 10 tion leading to their divorce.
- 11 (6) The Tribal Court may be vested with jurisdiction
- 12 to enforce against any business located on the Reserva-
- 13 tion, and any Member or non-Member residing on the Res-
- 14 ervation, any tribal civil regulation regulating conduct on
- 15 the Reservation enacted pursuant to section 10(a) or 17
- 16 of this Act. Such persons or entities are charged with no-
- 17 tice of the Tribe's regulations governing conduct on the
- 18 Reservation and are subject to the enforcement of such
- 19 regulations in the tribal court unless the Tribe has specifi-
- 20 cally exempted the entity or person from any or all regula-
- 21 tion and enforcement in tribal court.
- 22 (b) Concurrent Jurisdiction.—(1) The original
- 23 jurisdiction of the Tribal Court over matters set forth in
- 24 paragraphs (2) (if concurrent), (3), and (5) of subsection
- 25 (a) shall be concurrent with the jurisdiction of the Court

- 1 of Common Pleas of South Carolina, the Family Court,
- 2 and United States District Court for South Carolina
- 3 where permitted by title 28 of the United States Code.
- 4 (2) The original jurisdiction of the Tribal Court over
- 5 the matters set forth in paragraph (2)(A) of subsection
- 6 (a) shall be concurrent or exclusive depending upon the
- 7 agreement of the parties.
- 8 (3) The original jurisdiction of the Tribal Court over
- 9 matters set forth in paragraph (4) of subsection (a) shall
- 10 be exclusive.
- 11 (4) The original jurisdiction of the Tribal Court over
- 12 matters set forth in paragraph (6) of subsection (a) shall
- 13 be exclusive unless the Tribe has waived such exclusive
- 14 jurisdiction as to any person or entity.
- 15 (5) As to all paragraphs in subsection (a) referred
- 16 to in this subsection, jurisdiction over appeals, if any, is
- 17 governed by subsection (d).
- 18 (c) WAIVER OF JURISDICTION.—The Tribe may
- 19 waive Tribal Court jurisdiction or the application of tribal
- 20 laws with respect to any person or firm residing, doing
- 21 business, or otherwise entering upon the Reservation or
- 22 contracting with the Tribe. Any Member may also waive
- 23 Tribal Court jurisdiction or specify in a written contract
- 24 the law of any appropriate jurisdiction to govern any com-

- 1 mercial transaction or the interpretation of a contract to
- 2 which the Member is a party.
- 3 (d) Appeals to State or Federal Court.—(1)
- 4 All final judgments entered in actions tried in Tribal
- 5 Court shall be subject to an appeal to the Family Court,
- 6 the Court of Common Pleas, or the United States District
- 7 Court depending upon whether that court would have had
- 8 jurisdiction over the appealed matter had it been com-
- 9 menced in that court if—
- 10 (A) a party to the suit is not a member of the
- 11 Tribe;
- 12 (B) the amount in controversy or the cost of
- complying with any equitable order or decree exceeds
- the jurisdictional limits then applicable in the Mag-
- 15 istrate's Court of South Carolina; and
- 16 (C) the subject matter of the suit does not fall
- within the provisions of subsection (a)(2)(A)(i) if ju-
- risdiction is exclusive, or subsection (a)(4) or (6).
- 19 (2) The Tribe may enlarge the right of appeal to in-
- 20 clude other subject matters and Members, subject to such
- 21 rules and procedures as the applicable court and relevant
- 22 State and Federal laws may provide.
- 23 (3) In any appeal under this subsection, the court,
- 24 as appropriate, may—
- 25 (A) enter judgment affirming the Tribal Court;

- 1 (B) dismiss the case for lack of jurisdiction of 2 the Tribal Court, but only in those cases where the 3 Tribal Court has first addressed the issue of its
- 5 (C) reverse or remand the case for retrial or re-6 consideration in Tribal Court; or
- 7 (D) grant a trial de novo in its court.
- 8 (4) In any appeal, trial, or trial de novo pursuant 9 to this subsection, the reviewing court shall apply any reg-
- 10 ulation enacted pursuant to tribal authority.
- 11 (e) Full Faith and Credit.—(1) In cases subject
- 12 to the provisions of subsection (a)(3) or (d), all final judg-
- 13 ments of the Tribal Court shall be given full faith and
- 14 credit in the State or Federal court with appropriate juris-
- 15 diction, and the Tribal Court shall give full faith and cred-
- 16 it to final judgments of the State and Federal courts.
- 17 (2) If a Member seeks to enforce against a non-Mem-
- 18 ber in Federal court a final judgment of the Tribal Court
- 19 in a case not subject to the provisions of subsection (a)(3)
- 20 or (d), the judgment shall be reviewed by the Federal
- 21 court in the manner provided in title 9, United States
- 22 Code.

jurisdiction;

- 23 (f) Sovereign Immunity.—(1) The Tribe may sue,
- 24 or be sued, in any court of competent jurisdiction; except,
- 25 however, that the Tribe shall enjoy sovereign immunity,

- 1 including damage limits and except as provided in this
- 2 subsection, immunity from seizure, execution, or encum-
- 3 brance of properties, to the same extent as the political
- 4 subdivisions of the State as provided in the South Carolina
- 5 Tort Claims Act (Section 15-78-10, et seq., S.C. Code
- 6 Annotated, 1976 as amended), and amendments of gen-
- 7 eral applicability thereto adopted after the date of enact-
- 8 ment of this Act. With respect to non-consumer liability
- 9 based on contract, however, the Tribe may, in a written
- 10 contract, provide that it is immune from suit on that con-
- 11 tract as if there had been no waiver of sovereign immunity.
- 12 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section,
- 13 the Tribe shall be subject to suit as provided in section
- 14 17(a) of this Act.
- 15 (3) The nature and extent of this sovereign immunity
- 16 shall be construed consistent with the Settlement Agree-
- 17 ment and with applicable State and Federal law.
- 18 (4)(A) The Tribe shall procure and maintain liability
- 19 insurance with the same coverage and limits as required
- 20 of political subdivisions of the State.
- 21 (B) In the event that the Tribe's insurance coverage
- 22 is inadequate or unavailable to satisfy a judgment within
- 23 the limits of the South Carolina Tort Claims Act, neither
- 24 the judgment nor any other process may be levied upon
- 25 the corpus or principal of the Tribal Trust Funds or upon

- 1 any property held in trust for the Tribe by the United
- 2 States; however, the Tribe or the Secretary shall honor
- 3 valid orders of a Federal or State court which enters
- 4 money judgments for causes of action against the Tribe
- 5 arising after the consummation of the Settlement Agree-
- 6 ment by making an assignment to the judgment creditor
- 7 of the right to receive income out of the next quarterly
- 8 payment or payments of income from the Tribal Trust
- 9 Funds.
- 10 (g) INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT. (1) The Indian
- 11 Child Welfare Act of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.) shall
- 12 apply to Catawba Indian children except as provided in
- 13 this section.
- 14 (2) Before the Tribe may assume jurisdiction over In-
- 15 dian child custody proceedings under the Indian Child
- 16 Welfare Act of 1978, the Tribe shall present to the Sec-
- 17 retary for approval a petition to assume such jurisdiction,
- 18 and the Secretary shall approve the petition in the manner
- 19 prescribed in such Act. Any petition to assume jurisdiction
- 20 over Indian child custody proceedings by the Tribe shall
- 21 be considered and determined by the Secretary in accord-
- 22 ance with the relevant provisions of such Act. The Sec-
- 23 retary's determination that the Tribe may assume juris-
- 24 diction under such Act shall not affect any action or pro-
- 25 ceeding over which a court has assumed jurisdiction.

1	(3) Until the Tribe has assumed jurisdiction over In-
2	dian child custody proceedings, the State shall retain ex-
3	clusive jurisdiction over Indian custody proceedings; how-
4	ever, the State Court shall apply the Indian Child Welfare
5	Act of 1978 in such proceedings.
6	(4)(A) The Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 shall
7	not apply to private adoptions of Indian children under
8	the jurisdiction of the Tribe under such Act where—
9	(i) both parents consent to the adoption; or
10	(ii) in the case of an unwed mother—
11	(I) where the mother consents to the adop-
12	tion when the father's consent is not necessary
13	for the adoption under South Carolina Law
14	Section 20-7-1690 and any amendments there-
15	to, and
16	(II) the parents or mother help choose
17	adoptive parents, regardless of whether or not
18	the adoptive parents are outside the preferences
19	of the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978.
20	(B) The court may consider any benefits, material
21	and cultural, the child may lose in determining whether
22	the proposed adoption is in the best interests of the child.
23	Failure of the courts to make this consideration shall not
24	be subsequently held to invalidate the adoption.

- 1 (5) In all cases of adoption, regardless of whether the
- 2 Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 applies, section 107 of
- 3 such Act (25 U.S.C. 1917) shall apply.
- 4 (h) JURISDICTION OF STATE COURTS.—If no Tribal
- 5 Court is established by the Tribe, the State shall exercise
- 6 jurisdiction over all civil and criminal cases arising out of
- 7 acts and transactions occurring on the Reservation or in-
- 8 volving Members. If the Tribe establishes a Tribal Court,
- 9 the provisions of subsection (b) and section 11(b) shall
- 10 govern whether such jurisdiction is exclusive or concur-
- 11 rent.

## 12 SEC. 13. TRIBAL TRUST FUNDS.

- 13 (a) PURPOSES OF TRUST FUNDS.—All funds paid
- 14 pursuant to section 5 of this Act shall be deposited with
- 15 the Secretary in trust for the benefit of the Tribe. Sepa-
- 16 rate trust funds shall be established for the following pur-
- 17 poses: Economic Development, Land Acquisition, Edu-
- 18 cation, Social Services and Elderly Assistance, and Per-
- 19 Capita Payments. Except as provided in this section, the
- 20 Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary, shall determine
- 21 the share of settlement payments to be deposited in each
- 22 Trust Fund, and define, consistently with the provisions
- 23 of this section, the purposes of each Trust Fund and pro-
- 24 visions for administering each, specifically including provi-

- 1 sions for periodic distribution of current and accumulated
- 2 income, and for invasion and restoration of principal.
- 3 (b) OUTSIDE MANAGEMENT OPTION. (1) The
- 4 Tribe, in consultation with and subject to the approval of
- 5 the Secretary, is authorized to place any of the Trust
- 6 Funds under professional management, outside the De-
- 7 partment of the Interior.
- 8 (2) If the Tribe elects to place any of the Trust
- 9 Funds under professional management outside the De-
- 10 partment of the Interior, it may engage a consulting or
- 11 advisory firm to assist in the selection of an independent
- 12 professional investment management firm, and it shall en-
- 13 gage, with the approval of the Secretary, an independent
- 14 investment management firm of proven competence and
- 15 experience established in the business of counseling large
- 16 endowments, trusts, or pension funds.
- 17 (3) The Secretary shall have 45 days to approve or
- 18 reject any independent investment management firm se-
- 19 lected by the Tribe. If the Secretary fails to approve or
- 20 reject the firm selected by the Tribe within 45 days, the
- 21 investment management firm selected by the Tribe shall
- 22 be deemed to have been approved by the Secretary.
- 23 (4) Secretarial approval of an investment manage-
- 24 ment firm shall not be unreasonably withheld, and any
- 25 Secretarial disapproval of an investment management firm

- 1 shall be accompanied by a detailed explanation setting
- 2 forth the Secretary's reasons for such disapproval.
- 3 (5)(A) For funds placed under professional manage-
- 4 ment, the Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary and
- 5 its investment manager, shall develop—
- 6 (i) current operating and long-term capital
- 7 budgets; and
- 8 (ii) a plan for managing, investing, and distrib-
- 9 uting income and principal from the Trust Funds to
- 10 match the requirements of the Tribe's operating and
- 11 capital budgets.
- 12 (B) For each Trust Fund which the Tribe elects to
- 13 place under outside professional management, the invest-
- 14 ment plan shall provide for investment of Trust Fund as-
- 15 sets so as to serve the purposes described in this section
- 16 and in the Trust Fund provisions which the Tribe shall
- 17 establish in consultation with the Secretary and the inde-
- 18 pendent investment management firm.
- 19 (C) Distributions from each Trust Fund shall not ex-
- 20 ceed the limits on the use of principal and income imposed
- 21 by the applicable provisions of this Act for that particular
- 22 Trust Fund.
- 23 (D)(i) The Tribe's investment management plan shall
- 24 not become effective until approved by the Secretary.

- 1 (ii) Upon submission of the plan by the Tribe to the
- 2 Secretary for approval, the Secretary shall have 45 days
- 3 to approve or reject the plan. If the Secretary fails to ap-
- 4 prove or disapprove the plan within 45 days, the plan shall
- 5 be deemed to have been approved by the Secretary and
- 6 shall become effective immediately.
- 7 (iii) Secretarial approval of the plan shall not be un-
- 8 reasonably withheld and any secretarial rejection of the
- 9 plan shall be accompanied by a detailed explanation set-
- 10 ting forth the Secretary's reasons for rejecting the plan.
- 11 (E) Until the selection of an established investment
- 12 management firm of proven competence and experience,
- 13 the Tribe shall rely on the management, investment, and
- 14 administration of the Trust Funds by the Secretary pursu-
- 15 ant to the provisions of this section.
- 16 (c) Transfer of Trust Funds; Exculpation of
- 17 Secretary. Upon the Secretary's approval of the
- 18 Tribe's investment management firm and an investment
- 19 management plan, all funds previously deposited in trust
- 20 funds held by the Secretary and all funds subsequently
- 21 paid into the trust funds, which are chosen for outside
- 22 management, shall be transferred to the accounts estab-
- 23 lished by an investment management firm in accordance
- 24 with the approved investment management plan. The Sec-
- 25 retary shall be exculpated by the Tribe from liability for

- 1 any loss of principal or interest resulting from investment
- 2 decisions made by the investment management firm. Any
- 3 Trust Fund transferred to an investment management
- 4 firm shall be returned to the Secretary upon written re-
- 5 quest of the Tribe, and the Secretary shall manage such
- 6 funds for the benefit of the Tribe.
- 7 (d) Land Acquisition Trust.—(1) The Secretary
- 8 shall establish and maintain a Catawba Land Acquisition
- 9 Trust Fund, and until the Tribe engages an outside firm
- 10 for investment management of this trust fund, the Sec-
- 11 retary shall manage, invest, and administer this trust
- 12 fund. The original principal amount of the Land Acquisi-
- 13 tion Trust Fund shall be determined by the Tribe in con-
- 14 sultation with the Secretary.
- 15 (2) The principal and income of the Land Acquisition
- 16 Trust Fund may be used for the purchase and develop-
- 17 ment of Reservation and non-Reservation land pursuant
- 18 to the Settlement Agreement, costs related to land acquisi-
- 19 tion, and costs of construction of infrastructure and devel-
- 20 opment of the Reservation and non-Reservation land.
- 21 (3)(A) Upon acquisition of the maximum amount of
- 22 land allowed for expansion of the Reservation, or upon re-
- 23 quest of the Tribe and approval of the Secretary pursuant
- 24 to the Secretarial approval provisions set forth in sub-
- 25 section (b)(5)(D) of this section, all or part of the balance

- 1 of this trust fund may be merged into one or more of the
- 2 Economic Development Trust Fund, the Education Trust
- 3 Fund, or the Social Services and Elderly Assistance Trust
- 4 Fund.
- 5 (B) Alternatively, at the Tribe's election, the Land
- 6 Acquisition Trust Fund may remain in existence after all
- 7 the Reservation land is purchased in order to pay for the
- 8 purchase of non-Reservation land.
- 9 (4)(A) The Tribe may pledge or hypothecate the in-
- 10 come and principal of the Land Acquisition Trust Fund
- 11 to secure loans for the purchase of Reservation and non-
- 12 Reservation lands.
- 13 (B) Following enactment of this Act and before the
- 14 final annual disbursement is made as provided in section
- 15 5 of this Act, the Tribe may pledge or hypothecate up to
- 16 50 percent of the unpaid annual installments required to
- 17 be paid to this Trust Fund, the Economic Development
- 18 Trust Fund and the Social Services and Elderly Assist-
- 19 ance Trust Fund by section 5 of this Act and by section
- 20 5 of the Settlement Agreement, to secure loans to finance
- 21 the acquisition of Reservation or non-Reservation land or
- 22 infrastructure improvements on such lands.
- 23 (e) Economic Development Trust.—(1) The Sec-
- 24 retary shall establish and maintain a Catawba Economic
- 25 Development Trust Fund, and until the Tribe engages an

- 1 outside firm for investment management of this Trust
- 2 Fund, the Secretary shall manage, invest, and administer
- 3 this Trust Fund. The original principal amount of the
- 4 Economic Development Trust Fund shall be determined
- 5 by the Tribe in consultation with the Secretary. The prin-
- 6 cipal and income of this Trust Fund may be used to sup-
- 7 port tribal economic development activities, including but
- 8 not limited to infrastructure improvements and tribal
- 9 business ventures and commercial investments benefiting
- 10 the Tribe.
- 11 (2) The Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary,
- 12 may pledge or hypothecate future income and up to 50
- 13 percent of the principal of this Trust Fund to secure loans
- 14 for economic development. In defining the provisions for
- 15 administration of this Trust Fund, and before pledging
- 16 or hypothecating future income or principal, the Tribe and
- 17 the Secretary shall agree on rules and standards for the
- 18 invasion of principal and for repayment or restoration of
- 19 principal, which shall encourage preservation of principal,
- 20 and provide that, if feasible, a portion of all profits derived
- 21 from activities funded by principal be applied to repay-
- 22 ment of the Trust Fund.
- 23 (3) Following the enactment of this Act and before
- 24 the final annual disbursement is made as provided in sec-
- 25 tion 5 of this Act, the Tribe may pledge or hypothecate

- 1 up to 50 percent of the unpaid annual installments re-
- 2 quired to be paid by section 5 of this Act and by section
- 3 5 of the Settlement Agreement to secure loans to finance
- 4 economic development activities of the Tribe, including
- 5 (but not limited to) infrastructure improvements on Res-
- 6 ervation and non-Reservation lands.
- 7 (4) If the Tribe develops sound lending guidelines ap-
- 8 proved by the Secretary, a portion of the income from this
- 9 Trust Fund may also be used to fund a revolving credit
- 10 account for loans to support tribal businesses or business
- 11 enterprises of tribal members.
- 12 (f) EDUCATION TRUST.—The Secretary shall estab-
- 13 lish and maintain a Catawba Education Trust Fund, and
- 14 until the Tribe engages an outside firm for investment
- 15 management of this Trust Fund, the Secretary shall man-
- 16 age, invest, and administer this Trust Fund. The original
- 17 principal amount of this Trust Fund shall be determined
- 18 by the Tribe in consultation with the Secretary; subject
- 19 to the requirement that upon completion of all payments
- 20 into the Trust Funds, an amount equal to at least 4/3 of
- 21 all State, local, and private contributions made pursuant
- 22 to the Settlement Agreement shall have been paid into the
- 23 Education Trust Fund. Income from this Trust Fund
- 24 shall be distributed in a manner consistent with the terms
- 25 of the Settlement Agreement. The principal of this Trust

- 1 Fund shall not be invaded or transferred to any other
- 2 Trust Fund, nor shall it be pledged or encumbered as se-
- 3 curity.
- 4 (g) Social Services and Elderly Assistance
- 5 TRUST. (1) The Secretary shall establish and maintain
- 6 a Catawba Social Services and Elderly Assistance Trust
- 7 Fund and, until the Tribe engages an outside firm for in-
- 8 vestment management of this Trust Fund, the Secretary
- 9 shall manage, invest, and administer the Social Services
- 10 and Elderly Assistance Trust Fund. The original principal
- 11 amount of this Trust Fund shall be determined by the
- 12 Tribe in consultation with the Secretary.
- 13 (2) The income of this Trust Fund shall be periodi-
- 14 cally distributed to the Tribe to support social services
- 15 programs, including (but not limited to) housing, care of
- 16 elderly, or physically or mentally disabled Members, child
- 17 care, supplemental health care, education, cultural preser-
- 18 vation, burial and cemetery maintenance, and operation
- 19 of tribal government.
- 20 (3) The Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary,
- 21 shall establish eligibility criteria and procedures to carry
- 22 out this subsection.
- 23 (h) Per Capita Payment Trust Fund.—(1) The
- 24 Secretary shall establish and maintain a Catawba Per
- 25 Capita Payment Trust Fund in an amount equal to 15

- 1 percent of the settlement funds paid pursuant to section
- 2 5 of the Settlement Agreement. Until the Tribe engages
- 3 an outside firm for investment management of this Trust
- 4 Fund, the Secretary shall manage, invest, and administer
- 5 the Catawba Per Capita Payment Trust Fund.
- 6 (2) Each person whose name appears on the final roll
- 7 of the Tribe published by the Secretary pursuant to sec-
- 8 tion 7(c) of this Act will receive a one-time, non-recurring
- 9 payment from this Trust Fund.
- 10 (3) The amount payable to each member shall be de-
- 11 termined by dividing the trust principal and any accrued
- 12 interest thereon by the number of members on the final
- 13 roll.
- 14 (4)(A) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph,
- 15 each enrolled member who has reached the age of 21 years
- 16 on the date the final roll is published shall receive the pay-
- 17 ment on the date of distribution, which shall be as soon
- 18 as practicable after date of publication of the final roll.
- 19 Adult Members shall be paid their pro rata share of this
- 20 Trust Fund on the date of distribution unless they elect
- 21 in writing to leave their pro rata share in the Trust Fund,
- 22 in which case such share shall not be distributed.
- 23 (B) The pro rata share of adult Members who elect
- 24 not to withdraw their payment from this Trust Fund shall
- 25 be managed, invested and administered, together with the

- 1 funds of Members who have not attained the age of 21
- 2 years on the date the final roll is published, until such
- 3 Member requests in writing that their pro rata share be
- 4 distributed, at which time such Member's pro rata share
- 5 shall be paid, together with the net income of the Trust
- 6 Fund allocable to such Member's share as of the date of
- 7 distribution.
- 8 (C) No member may elect to have their pro rata share
- 9 managed by this Trust Fund for a period of more than
- 10 21 years after the date of publication of the final roll.
- 11 (5)(A) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph,
- 12 the pro rata share of any Member who has not attained
- 13 the age of 21 years on the date the final roll is published
- 14 shall be managed, invested and administered pursuant to
- 15 the provisions of this section until such Member has at-
- 16 tained the age of 21 years, at which time such Member's
- 17 pro rata share shall be paid, together with the net income
- 18 of the Trust Fund allocable to such Member's share as
- 19 of the date of payment. Such Members shall be paid their
- 20 pro rata share of this Trust Fund on the date they attain
- 21 21 years of age unless they elect in writing to leave their
- 22 pro rata share in the Trust Fund, in which case such
- 23 share shall not be distributed.
- 24 (B) The pro rata share of such Members who elect
- 25 not to withdraw their payment from this trust fund shall

- 1 be managed, invested and administered, together with the
- 2 funds of members who have not attained the age of 21
- 3 years on the date the final roll is published, until such
- 4 Member requests in writing that their pro rata share be
- 5 distributed, at which time such Member's pro rata share
- 6 shall be paid, together with the net income of the Trust
- 7 Fund allocable to such Member's share as of the date of
- 8 distribution.
- 9 (C) No Member may elect to have their pro rata
- 10 share retained and managed by this Trust Fund beyond
- 11 the expiration of the period of 21 years after the date of
- 12 publication of the final roll.
- 13 (6) After payments have been made to all Members
- 14 entitled to receive payments, this Trust Fund shall termi-
- 15 nate, and any balance remaining in this Trust Fund shall
- 16 be merged into the Economic Development Trust Fund,
- 17 the Education Trust Fund, or the Social Services and El-
- 18 derly Assistance Trust Fund, as the Tribe may determine.
- 19 (i) DURATION OF TRUST FUNDS.—Subject to the
- 20 provisions of this section and with the exception of the
- 21 Catawba Per Capita Payment Trust Fund, the Trust
- 22 Funds established in accordance with this section shall
- 23 continue in existence so long as the Tribe exists and is
- 24 recognized by the United States. The principal of these
- 25 Trust Funds shall not be invaded or distributed except

- 1 as expressly authorized in this Act or in the Settlement
- 2 Agreement.
- 3 (j) Transfer of Money Among Trust Funds.—
- 4 The Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary, shall have
- 5 the authority to transfer principal and accumulated in-
- 6 come between Trust Funds only as follows:
- (1) Funds may be transferred among the Ca-7 tawba Economic Development Trust Fund, the Ca-8 9 tawba Land Acquisition Trust Fund and the Catawba Social Services and Elderly Assistance Trust 10 Fund, and from any of those three Trust Funds into 11 the Catawba Education Trust Fund; except, that the 12 mandatory share of State, local, and private sector 13 14 funds invested in the original corpus of the Catawba Education Trust Fund shall not be transferred to 15 16 any other Trust Fund.
  - (2) Any Trust Fund, except for the Catawba Education Trust Fund, may be dissolved by a vote of two-thirds of those Members eligible to vote, and the assets in such Trust Fund shall be transferred to the remaining Trust Funds; except, that (A) no assets shall be transferred from any of the Trust Funds into the Catawba Per Capita Payment Trust Fund, and (B) the mandatory share of State, local and private funds invested in the original corpus of

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1	the Catawba Education Trust Fund may not be
2	transferred or used for any non-educational pur-
3	<del>poses.</del>
4	(3) The dissolution of any Trust Fund shall re-
5	quire the approval of the Secretary pursuant to the
6	Secretarial approval provisions set forth in sub-
7	section $(b)(5)(D)$ of this section.
8	(k) Trust Fund Accounting. (1) The Secretary
9	shall account to the Tribe periodically, and at least annu-
10	ally, for all Catawba Trust Funds being managed and ad-
11	ministered by the Secretary. The accounting shall—
12	(A) identify the assets in which the Trust
13	Funds have been invested during the relevant period;
14	(B) report income earned during the period,
15	distinguishing current income and capital gains;
16	(C) indicate dates and amounts of distributions
17	to the Tribe, separately distinguishing current in-
18	come, accumulated income, and distributions of prin-
19	<del>cipal;</del> and
20	(D) identify any invasions or repayments of
21	principal during the relevant period and record pro-
22	visions the Tribe has made for repayment or restora-
23	tion of principal.
24	(2)(A) Any outside investment management firm en-
25	gaged by the Tribe shall account to the Tribe and sepa-

1	rately to the Secretary at periodic intervals, at least quar-
2	terly. Its accounting shall—
3	(i) identify the assets in which the Trust Funds
4	have been invested during the relevant period;
5	(ii) report income earned during the period,
6	separating current income and capital gains;
7	(iii) indicate dates and amounts of distributions
8	to the Tribe, distinguishing current income, accumu-
9	lated income, and distributions of principal; and
10	(iv) identify any invasions or repayments of
11	principal during the relevant period and record pro-
12	visions the Tribe has made for repayment or restora-
13	tion of principal.
14	(B) Prior to distributing principal from any Trust
15	Fund, the investment management firm shall notify the
16	Secretary of the proposed distribution and the Tribe's pro-
17	posed use of such funds, following procedures to be agreed
18	upon by the investment management firm, the Secretary,
19	and the Tribe. The Secretary shall have 15 days within
20	which to object in writing to any such invasion of prin-
21	cipal. Failure to object will be deemed approval of the dis-
22	tribution.
23	(C) All Trust Funds held and managed by any invest-
24	ment management firm shall be audited annually by a cer-
25	tified public accounting firm approved by the Secretary,

- 1 and a copy of the annual audit shall be submitted to the
- 2 Tribe and to the Secretary within four months following
- 3 the close of the Trust Funds's fiscal year.
- 4 (I) REPLACEMENT OF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT
- 5 Firm and Modification of Investment Management
- 6 PLAN.—The Tribe shall not replace the investment man-
- 7 agement firm approved by the Secretary without prior
- 8 written notification to the Secretary and approval by the
- 9 Secretary of any investment management firm chosen by
- 10 the Tribe as a replacement. Such Secretarial approval
- 11 shall be given or denied in accordance with the Secretarial
- 12 approval provisions contained in subsection (b)(5)(D) of
- 13 this section. The Tribe and its investment management
- 14 firm shall also notify the Secretary in writing of any revi-
- 15 sions in the investment management plan which materially
- 16 increase investment risk or significantly change the invest-
- 17 ment management plan, or the agreement, made in con-
- 18 sultation with the Secretary pursuant to which the outside
- 19 management firm was retained.
- 20 (m) Trust Funds Not Counted for Certain
- 21 Purposes; Use as Matching Funds.—None of the
- 22 funds, assets, income, payments, or distributions from the
- 23 trust funds established pursuant to this section (except
- 24 funds distributed from the Catawba Per Capita Trust
- 25 Fund) shall at any time affect the eligibility of the Tribe

- 1 or its Members for, or be used as a basis for denying or
- 2 reducing funds to the Tribe or its Members under any
- 3 Federal, State, or local program. Distributions from these
- 4 Trust Funds may be used as matching funds, where ap-
- 5 propriate, for Federal grants or loans.

## 6 SEC. 14. ESTABLISHMENT OF EXPANDED RESERVATION.

- 7 (a) Existing Reservation.—The State, after ob-
- 8 taining any necessary judicial approval, shall convey the
- 9 Existing Reservation to the United States as trustee for
- 10 the Tribe, and the obligation of the State as trustee for
- 11 the Tribe with respect to this land shall cease.
- 12 (b) EXPANDED RESERVATION.—(1) The Secretary,
- 13 in consultation with the Tribe, shall develop an Expanded
- 14 Reservation in the manner prescribed by the Settlement
- 15 Agreement.
- 16 (2) The Secretary, after consulting with the Tribe,
- 17 shall engage a professional land planning firm and a reg-
- 18 istered land surveyor as provided in the Settlement Agree-
- 19 ment. The Secretary will bear the cost of all services ren-
- 20 dered by the surveyor and the planning firm.
- 21 (3) After the effective date of this Act, the Secretary,
- 22 in consultation with the Tribe, may identify, purchase, and
- 23 place in Reservation status tracts of lands in the manner
- 24 prescribed by the Settlement Agreement.

- 1 (4) The Secretary shall bear the cost of all title ex-
- 2 aminations, preliminary subsurface soil investigations, and
- 3 level one environmental audits to be performed on each
- 4 parcel contemplated for purchase for the Expanded Res-
- 5 ervation, and shall report the results to the Tribe. Pay-
- 6 ment of any option fee and the purchase price shall be
- 7 drawn from the Catawba Land Acquisition Trust Fund.
- 8 (5) The total area of the Expanded Reservation shall
- 9 be limited to 3,000 acres, including the Existing Reserva-
- 10 tion, but the Tribe may exclude from this limit up to 600
- 11 acres of additional land under the conditions set forth in
- 12 the Settlement Agreement. The Tribe may seek to have
- 13 the permissible area of the Expanded Reservation en-
- 14 larged by an additional 600 acres as set forth in the
- 15 Settlement Agreement.
- 16 (6) All lands acquired by the Secretary for the Ex-
- 17 panded Reservation will be held in trust together with the
- 18 Existing Reservation which the State is to convey to the
- 19 United States.
- 20 (c) EXPANSION ZONES. (1) Subject to the condi-
- 21 tions, criteria, and procedures set forth in the Settlement
- 22 Agreement, the Secretary and the Tribe shall endeavor at
- 23 the outset to acquire contiguous tracts for the Expanded
- 24 Reservation in the "Catawba Reservation Primary Expan-
- 25 sion Zone", as defined in the Settlement Agreement.

- 1 (2) Subject to the conditions, criteria, and procedures
- 2 set forth in the Settlement Agreement, the Secretary, in
- 3 consultation with the Tribe, may elect to purchase contig-
- 4 uous tracts in an alternative area, the "Catawba Reserva-
- 5 tion Secondary Expansion Zone", as defined in the Settle-
- 6 ment Agreement.
- 7 (3) The Tribe may propose different or additional ex-
- 8 pansion zones subject to the approval of the Secretary and
- 9 to the additional authorizations required in the Settlement
- 10 Agreement and the State implementing legislation.
- 11 (d) Non-Contiguous Tracts.—The Secretary, act-
- 12 ing on behalf of the Tribe, shall take such actions as are
- 13 reasonable to expand the Existing Reservation by assem-
- 14 bling a composite tract of contiguous parcels that border
- 15 and surround the Existing Reservation. Before placing
- 16 any non-contiguous tract in Reservation status, the Tribe,
- 17 in consultation with the Secretary, shall submit to the
- 18 county council in any county where it proposes to purchase
- 19 such non-contiguous tracts a Non-Contiguous Develop-
- 20 ment Plan Application, as provided by the Settlement
- 21 Agreement and the State implementing legislation. Upon
- 22 the approval of any such application by each affected
- 23 county council, the Secretary, in consultation with the
- 24 Tribe, may proceed to place non-contiguous tracts in Res-
- 25 ervation status. No purchases of non-contiguous tracts

- 1 shall be made for the Reservation except as set forth in
- 2 the Settlement Agreement and the State implementing
- 3 legislation.
- 4 (e) Voluntary Land Purchases. (1) The power
- 5 of eminent domain shall not be used by the Secretary or
- 6 any governmental authority in acquiring parcels of land
- 7 for the benefit of the Tribe, whether or not the parcels
- 8 are to be part of the Reservation. All such purchases shall
- 9 be made only from willing sellers by voluntary conveyances
- 10 subject to the terms of the Settlement Agreement.
- 11 (2) Conveyances by private land owners to the Sec-
- 12 retary for the Expanded Reservation will be deemed, how-
- 13 ever, to be involuntary conversions within the meaning of
- 14 section 1033 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 15 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this sec-
- 16 tion and the provisions of the first section of the Act of
- 17 August 1, 1888 (ch. 728, 25 Stat. 357; 40 U.S.C. 257),
- 18 and the first section of the Act of February 26, 1931 (ch.
- 19 307, 46 Stat. 1421; 40 U.S.C. 258a), the Secretary may
- 20 acquire Reservation land for the benefit of the Tribe from
- 21 the ostensible owner of the land if the Secretary and the
- 22 ostensible owner have agreed upon the identity of the land
- 23 to be sold and upon the purchase price and other terms
- 24 of sale. If the ostensible owner agrees to the sale, the Sec-
- 25 retary may use condemnation proceedings to perfect or

- 1 clear title and to acquire any interests of putative co-ten-
- 2 ants whose address is unknown or the interests of un-
- 3 known or unborn heirs or persons subject to mental dis-
- 4 ability.
- 5 (f) Terms and Conditions of Acquisition.—All
- 6 properties acquired by the Secretary for the Tribe shall
- 7 be acquired in fee simple subject to the terms and condi-
- 8 tions set forth in the Settlement Agreement. The Sec-
- 9 retary, acting on behalf of the Tribe and with its consent,
- 10 is also authorized to acquire Reservation and non-Reserva-
- 11 tion lands using the methods of financing described in the
- 12 Settlement Agreement.
- 13 (g) AUTHORITY TO ERECT PERMANENT IMPROVE-
- 14 MENTS ON EXISTING AND EXPANDED RESERVATION LAND
- 15 AND NON-RESERVATION LAND HELD IN TRUST.—Notwith-
- 16 standing any other provision of law or regulation, the At-
- 17 torney General of the United States shall approve any
- 18 deed or other instrument which conveys to the United
- 19 States lands purchased pursuant to the provisions of this
- 20 section and the Settlement Agreement. The Secretary or
- 21 the Tribe may erect permanent improvements of a sub-
- 22 stantial value, or any other improvements authorized by
- 23 law on such land after such land is conveyed to the United
- 24 States.

- 1 (h) EASEMENTS OVER RESERVATION. (1) The ac-
- 2 quisition of lands for the Expanded Reservation shall not
- 3 extinguish any easements or rights of way then encumber-
- 4 ing such lands unless the Secretary or the Tribe enters
- 5 into a written agreement with the owners terminating such
- 6 easements or rights-of-way.
- 7 (2)(A) The Secretary, with the approval of the Tribe,
- 8 shall have the power to grant or convey easements and
- 9 rights-of-way, in a manner consistent with the Settlement
- 10 Agreement.
- 11 (B) Unless the Tribe and the State agree upon a
- 12 valuation formula for pricing easements over the Reserva-
- 13 tion, the Secretary shall be subject to proceedings for con-
- 14 demnation and eminent domain to acquire easements and
- 15 rights of way for public purposes through the Reservation
- 16 under the laws of the State in circumstances where no
- 17 other reasonable access is available.
- 18 (C) With the approval of the Tribe, the Secretary
- 19 may also grant easements or rights-of-way over the Res-
- 20 ervation for private purposes, and implied easements of
- 21 necessity shall apply to all lands acquired by the Tribe,
- 22 unless expressly excluded by the parties.
- 23 (i) JURISDICTIONAL STATUS.—Only land made part
- 24 of the Reservation shall be governed by the special juris-

- 1 dictional provisions set forth in this Act and the Settle-
- 2 ment Agreement.
- 3 (j) Sale and Transfer of Reservation
- 4 Lands.—At the request of the Tribe, and with approval
- 5 of the Secretary, the Secretary may sell, exchange, or lease
- 6 lands within the Reservation, and sell timber or other nat-
- 7 ural resources on the Reservation under circumstances
- 8 and in the manner prescribed by the Settlement Agree-
- 9 ment.
- 10 (k) Time Limit on Acquisitions.—All acquisitions
- 11 of contiguous land to expand the Reservation or of non-
- 12 contiguous lands to be placed in Reservation status shall
- 13 be completed or under contract of purchase within 10
- 14 years from the date the last payment is made into the
- 15 Land Acquisition Trust; except that for a period of 20
- 16 years after the date the last payment is made into the
- 17 Catawba Land Acquisition Trust Fund, the Tribe may,
- 18 subject to the limitation on the total size of the Reserva-
- 19 tion, continue to add parcels to up to two Reservation
- 20 areas so long as the parcels acquired are contiguous to
- 21 one of those two Reservation areas.
- 22 (1) Leases of Reservation Lands.—The provi-
- 23 sions of the first section of the Act of August 9, 1955
- 24 (ch. 615, 69 Stat. 539; 25 U.S.C. 415) shall not apply
- 25 to the Tribe and its Reservation. The Tribe shall be au-

- 1 thorized to lease its Reservation lands for terms up to but
- 2 not exceeding 99 years.
- 3 (m) Non-Applicability of BIA Land Acquisition
- 4 REGULATIONS.—The general land acquisition regulations
- 5 of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, contained in part 151
- 6 of title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, shall not apply
- 7 to the acquisition of lands authorized by this section.
- 8 SEC. 15. NON-RESERVATION PROPERTIES.
- 9 (a) Acquisition of Non-Reservation Prop-
- 10 ERTIES.—(1) The Tribe may draw upon the corpus or ac-
- 11 cumulated income of the Catawba Land Acquisition Trust
- 12 Fund or the Catawba Economic Development Trust Fund
- 13 to acquire and hold parcels of real estate outside the Res-
- 14 ervation for the purposes and in the manner delineated
- 15 in the Settlement Agreement.
- 16 (2) If the ownership of any such properties by the
- 17 Secretary or the Tribe, or any sub-entity of the Tribe, re-
- 18 sults in the removal of the property from ad valorem tax-
- 19 ation, then payments shall be made by the Tribe in lieu
- 20 of taxation that are equivalent to the taxes that would oth-
- 21 erwise be paid if the property were subject to levy.
- 22 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
- 23 Tribe may lease, sell, mortgage, restrict, encumber, or oth-
- 24 erwise dispose of such non-Reservation lands in the same
- 25 manner as other persons and entities under State law, and

- 1 the Tribe as land owner shall be subject to the same obli-
- 2 gations and responsibilities as other persons and entities
- 3 under State, Federal, and local law.
- 4 (4) Ownership and transfer of non-Reservation par-
- 5 cels shall not be subject to Federal law restrictions on
- 6 alienation, including (but not limited to) the restrictions
- 7 imposed by Federal common law and the provisions of the
- 8 section 2116 of the Revised Statutes (25 U.S.C. 177).
- 9 (b) Jurisdiction on Non-Reservation Prop-
- 10 ERTIES. (1) All non-Reservation properties, including
- 11 such properties held by the Tribe as a corporate entity
- 12 and such properties held in trust by the United States,
- 13 and all activities conducted on such properties, shall be
- 14 subject to the laws, ordinances, taxes, and regulations of
- 15 the State and its political subdivisions in the same manner
- 16 as such laws, ordinances, taxes, and regulations would
- 17 apply to any other properties held by non-Indians in the
- 18 same jurisdiction, except as provided in section 16 of this
- 19 Act.
- 20 (2) Activities on non-Reservation land shall be eligible
- 21 for Federal grants and other Federal services for the bene-
- 22 fit of Indians.

## SEC. 16. GAMES OF CHANCE.

- 2 (a) Inapplicability of Indian Caming Regu-
- 3 LATORY ACT.—The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25)
- 4 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) shall not apply to the Tribe.
- 5 (b) Cames of Chance Generally.—The Tribe
- 6 shall have the rights and responsibilities set forth in the
- 7 Settlement Agreement and the State implementing legisla-
- 8 tion with respect to the conduct of games of chance. Ex-
- 9 cept as specifically set forth in the Settlement Agreement,
- 10 the State implementing legislation, and this Act, all laws,
- 11 ordinances, and regulations of the State, and its political
- 12 subdivisions, shall govern the regulation of gambling de-
- 13 vices and the conduct of gambling or wagering by the
- 14 Tribe on and off the Reservation.
- 15 SEC. 17. GOVERNANCE AND REGULATION OF RESERVA-
- 16 **TION.**
- 17 (a) ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.—(1) All Federal, State,
- 18 and local environmental laws and regulations shall apply
- 19 to the Tribe and to the Reservation, and shall be fully
- 20 enforceable by all Federal, State, and local agencies and
- 21 authorities. Similarly, all requirements that a license, per-
- 22 mit, or certificate be obtained from any Federal, State,
- 23 or local agency shall also apply to the Tribe and to the
- 24 Reservation. This provision shall extend without limitation
- 25 to all environmental laws and regulations adopted after
- 26 the date of enactment of this Act.

- 1 (2) The Tribe, the Executive Committee, and all
- 2 Members shall have the same—and no special or pref-
- 3 erential—status under all such laws as other individuals
- 4 or groups of individuals to contest, object to, or intervene
- 5 in any proceeding or action in which environmental regula-
- 6 tions are being made, adjudicated, or enforced, or in which
- 7 licenses, permits, or certificates of convenience and neces-
- 8 sity are being issued by any agency of Federal, State, or
- 9 local government.
- 10 (3) The Tribe shall have the authority to impose reg-
- 11 ulations applying higher environmental standards to the
- 12 Reservation than those imposed by Federal or State law
- 13 or by local governing bodies; but such tribal regulations
- 14 shall apply only to the Reservation, and not to property
- 15 surrounding the Reservation or non-Reservation property,
- 16 or to the use of the Catawba River. Such tribal regulations
- 17 shall not apply to activities or uses off the Reservation,
- 18 even if those activities affect air quality on the Reserva-
- 19 <del>tion.</del>
- 20 (4) The Tribe shall not be authorized to invoke sov-
- 21 ereign immunity against any suit, proceeding, or environ-
- 22 mental enforcement action involving any Federal, State,
- 23 or local environmental laws or regulations, and shall be
- 24 subject to all enforcement orders, restraining orders, fees,

- 1 fines, injunctions, judgments, and other corrective or re-
- 2 medial measures imposed by such laws.
- 3 (5) This section shall not impose different standards
- 4 or requirements on the Tribe or the Secretary, when act-
- 5 ing on the Tribe's behalf, than would be applied to a
- 6 private corporation.
- 7 (b) BUILDING CODE.—The Tribe shall incorporate by
- 8 reference and adopt the York County Building Code, and
- 9 any amendments thereto adopted after the date of enact-
- 10 ment of this Act, and may contract with York County,
- 11 South Carolina, for the services necessary to enforce, in-
- 12 spect, and regulate compliance with its Building Code.
- 13 Such services shall be provided by York County as pro-
- 14 vided in the Settlement Agreement. In addition, those
- 15 local jurisdictions which exact any fee, permit, or inspec-
- 16 tion services shall waive the fees otherwise charged for
- 17 building permit or inspection services on the Reservation.
- 18 The Tribe may adopt building code provisions to be ap-
- 19 plied on the Reservation in addition to, but not in deroga-
- 20 tion of, the York County Building Code, as amended from
- 21 time to time.
- 22 (c) Planning and Zoning. With respect to any
- 23 land use regulation within the Reservation, the Tribe shall
- 24 have the power to adopt and enforce a land use plan after
- 25 consultation with York County and Lancaster County, for

- 1 those parts of the Reservation located in those respective
- 2 jurisdictions. The Tribe and the affected governing bodies
- 3 shall follow the consultative procedures created for settle-
- 4 ment of the claim of the Puyallup Tribe in the State of
- 5 Washington, as set out in House Report 101–57, pages
- 6 161-64, of the 101st Congress. In determining whether
- 7 to permit the construction of any buildings or improve-
- 8 ments on the Reservation, the Tribe shall consider—
- 9 (1) the protection of established or planned res-
- 10 idential areas from any use or development that
- 11 would adversely affect residential living off the Res-
- 12 ervation;
- 13 (2) protection of the health, safety, and welfare
- 14 of the surrounding community;
- 15 (3) preservation of open spaces, rivers, and
- 16 streams; and
- 17 (4) provision of public facilities to support de-
- 18 velopment.
- 19 (d) HEALTH CODES.—All public health codes of the
- 20 State and any county in which the Reservation is located
- 21 shall be applicable on the Reservation.
- 22 (e) Hunting and Fishing. Subject to the provi-
- 23 sions of section 17.5 of the Settlement Agreement con-
- 24 cerning the acquisition of hunting and fishing licenses,
- 25 hunting and fishing, on or off the Reservation, shall be

- 1 conducted by members in compliance with the laws and
- 2 regulations of the State.
- 3 (f) RIPARIAN RIGHTS.—(1) The littoral and riparian
- 4 rights of the Tribe in the Catawba River, or in any other
- 5 streams or waters crossing their lands, shall not differ in
- 6 any respect from the rights of other owners whose land
- 7 abuts non-tidal bodies of water or non-tidal water courses
- 8 in South Carolina. The rights and obligations covered by
- 9 this provision shall include, but not be limited to—
- 10 (A) the title to the river bed;
- 11 (B) the right to flood, pond, dam, and divert
- waters to the river or its tributaries;
- 13 (C) the right to build docks and piers in the
- 14 river;
- 15 (D) the right to fish in the river or its tribu-
- 16 taries; and
- 17 (E) the right to discharge waste or withdraw
- 18 water from the river or its tributaries.
- 19 (2) The Tribe shall have the same rights and stand-
- 20 ing as all other riparian owners and users of the Catawba
- 21 River to intervene in any proceeding or otherwise to con-
- 22 test or object to proposed actions or determinations of the
- 23 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or of any other
- 24 governmental agency, commission, or court, whether Fed-
- 25 eral, State, or local, with respect to the use of the Catawba

- 1 River and its basin, including (without limitation) with-
- 2 drawal of water from the river; navigability on the river;
- 3 and water power and hydroelectric usage of the river.
- 4 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law effec-
- 5 tive now or adopted after the date of enactment of this
- 6 Act, the Tribe shall have no special right or preferential
- 7 standing greater than other riparian owners and users of
- 8 the Catawba River to intervene in or contest any such
- 9 agency action, determination, or proceeding, including
- 10 specifically any actions or determinations by the Federal
- 11 Energy Regulatory Commission regarding the licensing,
- 12 use, or operation of the waters impounded by the existing
- 13 reservoirs above and below the Reservation. These quali-
- 14 fications shall apply to the Existing Reservation, to lands
- 15 acquired for the Expanded Reservation, to other lands ac-
- 16 quired by or for the benefit of the Tribe, and to non-Res-
- 17 ervation lands.
- 18 (g) Alcoholic Beverages.—Alcohol shall be pro-
- 19 hibited on the Reservation unless the Tribe adopts laws
- 20 permitting the sale, possession, or consumption of alcohol
- 21 on the Reservation consistent with the terms of the Settle-
- 22 ment Agreement.
- 23 SEC. 18. GENERAL PROVISIONS.
- 24 (a) GENERAL APPLICABILITY OF STATE LAW.—The
- 25 Tribe, its Members, and any lands, natural resources, or

- 1 other property owned by the Tribe or its Members (includ-
- 2 ing any land or natural resources or other property held
- 3 in trust by the United States or by any other person or
- 4 entity for the Tribe) shall be subject to the civil, criminal,
- 5 and regulatory jurisdiction of the State, its agencies and
- 6 political subdivisions other than municipalities, and the
- 7 civil and criminal jurisdiction of the courts of the State,
- 8 to the same extent as any other person, citizen or land
- 9 in the State except as otherwise expressly provided in this
- 10 Act and by the State implementing legislation.
- 11 (b) IMPACT OF SUBSEQUENTLY ENACTED LAWS.—
- 12 The provisions of any Federal law enacted after the date
- 13 of enactment of this Act shall not apply in the State if
- 14 such provision would materially affect or preempt the ap-
- 15 plication of the laws of the State, including application
- 16 of the laws of the State applicable to lands owned by or
- 17 held in trust for Indians, or Indian Nations, tribes or
- 18 bands of Indians. However, such Federal law shall apply
- 19 within the State if the State grants its approval by a law
- 20 or joint resolution enacted by the General Assembly of
- 21 South Carolina and signed by the Governor.
- 22 (c) Severability.—If any of the provisions of sec-
- 23 tions 4(a), 5 or 6 of this Act are held invalid by a court,
- 24 then all of this Act is invalid. Should any other section

- 1 of this Act be held invalid by a court, the remaining sec-2 tions of this Act shall remain in full force and effect.
- 4 MENT AGREEMENT. Wherever possible, this Act shall be

(d) Interpretation Consistent With Settle-

- 5 construed in a manner consistent with the Settlement
- 6 Agreement. In the event of a conflict between the provi-
- 7 sions of this Act and the Settlement Agreement, the terms
- 8 of this Act shall govern. The Settlement Agreement shall
- 9 be maintained on file and available for public inspection
- 10 at the Department of the Interior.
- 11 SEC. 19. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- The provisions of this Act shall become effective upon
- 13 the transfer of the Existing Reservation to the Secretary.
- 14 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 15 This Act may be cited as the "Catawba Indian Tribe
- 16 of South Carolina Land Claims Settlement Act of 1993".
- 17 SEC. 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY, CONGRESSIONAL FIND-
- 18 **INGS AND PURPOSE.**
- 19 (a) Findings.—The Congress declares and finds that:
- 20 (1) It is the policy of the United States to pro-
- 21 mote tribal self-determination and economic self-suffi-
- ciency and to support the resolution of disputes over
- 23 historical claims through settlements mutually agreed
- 24 to by Indian and non-Indian parties.

- 1 (2) There is pending before the United States
  2 District Court for the District of South Carolina a
  3 lawsuit disputing ownership of approximately
  4 140,000 acres of land in the State of South Carolina
  5 and other rights of the Catawba Indian Tribe under
  6 Federal law.
  - (3) The Catawba Indian Tribe initiated a related lawsuit against the United States in the United States Court of Federal Claims seeking monetary damages.
  - (4) Some of the significant historical events which have led to the present situation include:
    - (A) In treaties with the Crown in 1760 and 1763, the Tribe ceded vast portions of its aboriginal territory in the present States of North and South Carolina in return for guarantees of being quietly settled on a 144,000-acre reservation.
    - (B) The Tribe's district court suit contended that in 1840 the Tribe and the State entered into an agreement without Federal approval or participation whereby the Tribe ceded its treaty reservation to the State, thereby giving rise to the Tribe's claim that it was dispossessed of its lands in violation of Federal law.

- (C) In 1943, the United States entered into an agreement with the Tribe and the State to provide services to the Tribe and its members.

  The State purchased 3,434 acres of land and conveyed it to the Secretary in trust for the Tribe and the Tribe organized under the Indian Reorganization Act.
  - (D) In 1959, when Congress enacted the Catawba Tribe of South Carolina Division of Assets Act (25 U.S.C. 931–938), Federal agents assured the Tribe that if the Tribe would release the Government from its obligation under the 1943 agreement and agree to Federal legislation terminating the Federal trust relationship and liquidating the 1943 reservation, the status of the Tribe's land claim would not be jeopardized by termination.
  - (E) In 1980, the Tribe initiated Federal court litigation to regain possession of its treaty lands and in 1986, the United States Supreme Court ruled in South Carolina against Catawba Indian Tribe that the 1959 Act resulted in the application of State statutes of limitations to the Tribe's land claim. Two subsequent decisions of the United States Court of Appeals for the

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- Fourth Circuit have held that some portion of the Tribe's claim is barred by State statutes of limitations and that some portion is not barred.
- (5) The pendency of these lawsuits has led to 5 substantial economic and social hardship for a large 6 number of landowners, citizens and communities in 7 the State of South Carolina, including the Catawba Indian Tribe. Congress recognizes that if these claims 8 are not resolved, further litigation against tens of 9 thousands of landowners would be likely; that any 10 final resolution of pending disputes through a process 11 of litigation would take many years and entail great 12 expenses to all parties; continue economically and so-13 14 cially damaging controversies; prolong uncertainty as to the ownership of property; and seriously impair 15 16 long-term economic planning and development for all 17 parties.
  - (6) The 102d Congress has enacted legislation suspending until October 1, 1993, the running of any unexpired statute of limitation applicable to the Tribe's land claim in order to provide additional time to negotiate settlement of these claims.
  - (7) It is recognized that both Indian and non-Indian parties enter into this settlement to resolve the disputes raised in these lawsuits and to derive certain

- benefits. The parties' Settlement Agreement constitutes
  a good faith effort to resolve these lawsuits and other
  claims and requires implementing legislation by the
  Congress of the United States, the General Assembly
  of the State of South Carolina, and the governing
  bodies of the South Carolina counties of York and
  Lancaster.
  - (8) To advance the goals of the Federal policy of Indian self-determination and restoration of terminated Indian Tribes, and in recognition of the United States obligation to the Tribe and the Federal policy of settling historical Indian claims through comprehensive settlement agreements, it is appropriate that the United States participate in the funding and implementation of the Settlement Agreement.
    - (b) Purpose.—It is the purpose of this Act—
    - (1) to approve, ratify, and confirm the Settlement Agreement entered into by the non-Indian settlement parties and the Tribe;
    - (2) to authorize and direct the Secretary to implement the terms of such Settlement Agreement;
    - (3) to authorize the actions and appropriations necessary to implement the provisions of the Settlement Agreement and this Act;

1 (4) to remove the cloud on titles in the State of 2 South Carolina resulting from the Tribe's land claim; 3 and

4 (5) to restore the trust relationship between the 5 Tribe and the United States.

## 6 SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

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- For purposes of this Act:
- (1) The term "Tribe" means the Catawba Indian 8 9 Tribe of South Carolina as constituted in aboriginal times, which was party to the Treaty of Pine Tree 10 Hill in 1760 as confirmed by the Treaty of Augusta 11 in 1763, which was party also to the Treaty of Na-12 13 tion Ford in 1840, and which was the subject of the 14 Termination Act, and all predecessors and successors 15 in interest, including the Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina, Inc. 16
  - (2) The term "claim" or "claims" means any claim which was asserted by the Tribe in either Suit, and any other claim which could have been asserted by the Tribe or any Catawba Indian of a right, title or interest in property, to trespass or property damages, or of hunting, fishing or other rights to natural resources, if such claim is based upon aboriginal title, recognized title, or title by grant, patent, or treaty including the Treaty of Pine Tree Hill of 1760, the

- 1 Treaty of Augusta of 1763, or the Treaty of Nation 2 Ford of 1840.
- 3 (3) The term "Executive Committee" means the 4 body of the Tribe composed of the Tribe's executive of-5 ficers as selected by the Tribe in accordance with its 6 constitution.
  - (4) The term "Existing Reservation" means that tract of approximately 630 acres conveyed to the State in trust for the Tribe by J.M. Doby on December 24, 1842, by deed recorded in York County Deed Book N, pp. 340–341.
    - (5) The term "General Council" means the membership of the Tribe convened as the Tribe's governing body for the purpose of conducting tribal business pursuant to the Tribe's constitution.
    - (6) The term "Member" means individuals who are currently members of the Tribe or who are enrolled in accordance with this Act.
    - (7) The term "Reservation" or "Expanded Reservation" means the Existing Reservation and the lands added to the Existing Reservation in accordance with section 12 of this Act, which are to be held in trust by the Secretary in accordance with this Act.
- 24 (8) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of 25 the Interior.

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- (9) The term 'service area' means the area composed of the State of South Carolina and Cabarrus,
   Cleveland, Gaston, Mecklenburg, Rutherford, and
   Union counties in the State of North Carolina.
  - (10) The term "Settlement Agreement" means the document entitled "Agreement in Principle" between the Tribe and the State of South Carolina and attached to the copy of the State implementing legislation and filed with the Secretary of State of the State of South Carolina, as amended to conform to this Act and printed in the Congressional Record on the date of the enactment of this Act.
    - (11) The term "State" means, except for section 6 (a) through (f), the State of South Carolina.
    - (12) The term "State Act" means the Act enacted into law by the State of South Carolina on June 14, 1993, and codified as S.C. Code Ann., sections 27–16–10 through 27–16–140, to implement the Settlement Agreement.
    - (13) The term "Suit" or "Suits" means Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina v. State of South Carolina, et al., docketed as Civil Action No. 80–2050 and filed in the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina; and Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina v. The United States of

- 1 America, docketed as Civil Action No. 90–553L and 2 filed in the United States Court of Federal Claims.
- 3 (14) The term "Termination Act" means the Act 4 entitled "An Act to provide for the division of the 5 tribal assets of the Catawba Indian Tribe of South 6 Carolina among the members of the Tribe and for 7 other purposes", approved September 21, 1959 (73) 8 Stat. 592; 25 U.S.C. 931–938).
- (15) The term "transfer" includes (but is not 9 limited to) any voluntary or involuntary sale, grant, 10 11 lease, allotment, partition, or other conveyance; any transaction the purpose of which was to effect a sale, 12 grant, lease, allotment, partition, or conveyance; and 13 14 any act, event or circumstance that resulted in a 15 change in title to, possession of, dominion over, or control of land, water, minerals, timber, or other nat-16 17 ural resources.
- 18 (16) The term "Trust Funds" means the trust 19 funds established by section 11 of this Act.

## 20 SEC. 4. RESTORATION OF FEDERAL TRUST RELATIONSHIP.

- 21 (a) Restoration of the Federal Trust Rela-
- 22 TIONSHIP AND APPROVAL, RATIFICATION, AND CONFIRMA-
- 23 TION OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.—On the effective
- 24 date of this Act—

1	(1) the trust relationship between the Tribe and
2	the United States is restored; and
3	(2) the Settlement Agreement and the State Act
4	are approved, ratified, and confirmed by the United
5	States to effectuate the purposes of this Act, and shall
6	be complied with in the same manner and to the same
7	extent as if they had been enacted into Federal law.
8	(b) Eligibility for Federal Benefits and Serv-
9	ICES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on the
10	effective date of this Act, the Tribe and the Members shall
11	be eligible for all benefits and services furnished to federally
12	recognized Indian Tribes and their members because of their
13	status as Indians. On the effective date of this Act, the Sec-
14	retary shall enter the Tribe on the list of federally recog-
15	nized bands and Tribes maintained by the Department of
16	the Interior; and its members shall be entitled to special
17	services, educational benefits, medical care, and welfare as-
18	sistance provided by the United States to Indians because
19	of their status as Indians, and the Tribe shall be entitled
20	to the special services performed by the United States for
21	Tribes because of their status as Indian Tribes. For the pur-
22	pose of eligibility for Federal services made available to
23	members of federally recognized Indian Tribes because of
24	their status as Indian tribal members, Members of the Tribe

- 1 in the Tribe's service area shall be deemed to be residing
- 2 on or near a reservation.
- 3 (c) Repeal of Termination Act.—The Termination
- 4 Act is repealed.
- 5 (d) Effect on Property Rights and Other Obli-
- 6 GATIONS.—Except as otherwise specifically provided in this
- 7 Act, this Act shall not affect any property right or obliga-
- 8 tion or any contractual right or obligation in existence be-
- 9 fore the effective date of this Act, or any obligation for taxes
- 10 levied before that date.
- 11 (e) Extent of Jurisdiction.—This Act shall not be
- 12 construed to empower the Tribe with special jurisdiction or
- 13 to deprive the State of jurisdiction other than as expressly
- 14 provided by this Act or by the State Act. The jurisdiction
- 15 and governmental powers of the Tribe shall be solely those
- 16 set forth in this Act and the State Act.

### 17 SEC. 5. SETTLEMENT FUNDS.

- 18 (a) AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATION.—There is
- 19 hereby authorized to be appropriated \$32,000,000 for the
- 20 Federal share which shall be deposited in the trust funds
- 21 established pursuant to section 11 of this Act or paid pursu-
- 22 ant to section  $\theta(g)$ .
- 23 (b) Disbursement in Accordance With Settle-
- 24 MENT AGREEMENT.—The Federal funds appropriated pur-
- 25 suant to this Act shall be disbursed in four equal annual

- 1 installments of \$8,000,000 beginning in the fiscal year fol-
- 2 lowing enactment of this Act. Funds transferred to the Sec-
- 3 retary from other sources shall be deposited in the trust
- 4 funds established pursuant to section 11 of this Act or paid
- 5 pursuant to section 6(g) within 30 days of receipt by the
- 6 Secretary.
- 7 (c) Private Funds.—Any private payments made to
- 8 settle the claims may be treated, at the election of the tax-
- 9 payer, as either a payment in settlement of litigation or
- 10 a charitable contribution for Federal income tax purposes.
- 11 (d) Federal, State, Local and Private Contribu-
- 12 TIONS HELD IN TRUST BY SECRETARY.—The Secretary
- 13 shall, on behalf of the Tribe, collect those contributions to-
- 14 ward settlement appropriated or received by the State pur-
- 15 suant to section 5.2 of the Settlement Agreement and shall
- 16 either hold such funds totalling \$18,000,000, together with
- 17 the Federal funds appropriated pursuant to this Act, in
- 18 trust for the Tribe pursuant to the provisions of section 11
- 19 of this Act or pay such funds pursuant to section 6(g) of
- 20 this Act.
- 21 (e) Nonpayment of State, Local, or Private Con-
- 22 TRIBUTIONS.—The Secretary shall not be accountable or
- 23 incur any liability under this Act for the collection, deposit,
- 24 or management of the non-Federal contributions made pur-
- 25 suant to section 5.2 of the Settlement Agreement, or pay-

- 1 ment of such funds pursuant to section 6(g) of this Act,
- 2 until such time as such funds are received by the Secretary.
- 3 SEC. 6. RATIFICATION OF PRIOR TRANSFERS; EXTINGUISH-
- 4 MENT OF ABORIGINAL TITLE, RIGHTS AND
- 5 CLAIMS.
- 6 (a) Ratification of Transfers.—Any transfer of
- 7 land or natural resources located anywhere within the
- 8 United States from, by, or on behalf of the Tribe, any one
- 9 or more of its Members, or anyone purporting to be a Mem-
- 10 ber, including but without limitation any transfer pursuant
- 11 to any treaty, compact, or statute of any State, shall be
- 12 deemed to have been made in accordance with the Constitu-
- 13 tion and all laws of the United States, and Congress hereby
- 14 approves and ratifies any such transfer effective as of the
- 15 date of such transfer. Nothing in this section shall be con-
- 16 strued to affect or eliminate the personal claim of any indi-
- 17 vidual Member (except for any Federal common law fraud
- 18 claim) which is pursued under any law of general applica-
- 19 bility that protects non-Indians as well as Indians.
- 20 (b) Aboriginal Title.—To the extent that any trans-
- 21 fer of land or natural resources described in subsection (a)
- 22 of this section may involve land or natural resources to
- 23 which the Tribe, any of its Members, or anyone purporting
- 24 to be a Member, or any other Indian, Indian nation, or
- 25 Tribe or band of Indians had aboriginal title, subsection

- 1 (a) of this section shall be regarded as an extinguishment
- 2 of aboriginal title as of the date of such transfer.
- 3 (c) Extinguishment of Claims.—By virtue of the
- 4 approval and ratification of any transfer of land or natural
- 5 resources effected by this section, or the extinguishment of
- 6 aboriginal title effected thereby, all claims against the
- 7 United States, any State or subdivision thereof, or any
- 8 other person or entity, by the Tribe, any of its Members,
- 9 or anyone purporting to be a Member, or any predecessors
- 10 or successors in interest thereof or any other Indian, Indian
- 11 Nation, or Tribe or band of Indians, arising at the time
- 12 of or subsequent to the transfer and based on any interest
- 13 in or right involving such land or natural resources, includ-
- 14 ing without limitation claims for trespass damages or
- 15 claims for use and occupancy, shall be deemed extinguished
- 16 as of the date of the transfer.
- 17 (d) Extinguishment of Title.—(1) All claims and
- 18 all right, title, and interest that the Tribe, its Members, or
- 19 any person or group of persons purporting to be Catawba
- 20 Indians may have to aboriginal title, recognized title, or
- 21 title by grant, patent, or treaty to the lands located any-
- 22 where in the United States are hereby extinguished.
- 23 (2) This extinguishment of claims shall also extinguish
- 24 title to any hunting, fishing, or water rights or rights to
- 25 any other natural resource claimed by the Tribe or a Mem-

- 1 ber based on aboriginal or treaty recognized title, and all
- 2 trespass damages and other damages associated with use,
- 3 occupancy or possession, or entry upon such lands.
- 4 (e) Bar to Future Claims.—The United States is
- 5 hereby barred from asserting by or on behalf of the Tribe
- 6 or any of its Members, or anyone purporting to be a Mem-
- 7 ber, any claim arising before the effective date of this Act
- 8 from the transfer of any land or natural resources by deed
- 9 or other grant, or by treaty, compact, or act of law, on the
- 10 grounds that such transfer was not made in accordance
- 11 with the laws of South Carolina or the Constitution or laws
- 12 of the United States.
- 13 (f) No Derogation of Fee Simple in Existing
- 14 RESERVATION, OR EFFECT ON MEMBERS' FEE INTER-
- 15 ESTS.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed to diminish
- 16 or derogate from the Tribe's estate in the Existing Reserva-
- 17 tion; or to divest or disturb title in any land conveyed to
- 18 any person or entity as a result of the Termination Act
- 19 and the liquidation and partition of tribal lands; or to di-
- 20 vest or disturb the right, title and interest of any member
- 21 in any fee simple, leasehold or remainder estate or any eq-
- 22 uitable or beneficial right or interest any such member may
- 23 own individually and not as a member of the Tribe.
- 24 (g) Costs and Attorneys' Fees.—The parties to the
- 25 Suits shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees. As pro-

- 1 vided by section 6.4 of the Settlement Agreement, the Sec-
- 2 retary shall pay to the Tribe's attorney in the Suits attor-
- 3 neys' fees, and expenses not to exceed 10 percent of the
- 4 \$50,000,000 obligated for payment to the Tribe by Federal,
- 5 State, local, and private parties pursuant to section 5 of
- 6 the Settlement Agreement.
- 7 (h) Personal Claims Not Affected.—Nothing in
- 8 this section shall be deemed to affect, diminish, or eliminate
- 9 the personal claim of any individual Indian which is pur-
- 10 sued under any law of general applicability (other than
- 11 Federal common law fraud) that protects non-Indians as
- 12 well as Indians.
- 13 (i) Federal Payment.—In the event any of the Fed-
- 14 eral payments are not paid as set forth in section 5, such
- 15 failure to pay shall give rise to a cause of action by the
- 16 Tribe against the United States for money damages for the
- 17 amount authorized to be paid to the Tribe in section 5(a)
- 18 in settlement of the Tribe's claim, and the Tribe is author-
- 19 ized to bring an action in the United States Court of Claims
- 20 for such funds plus applicable interest. The United States
- 21 hereby waives any affirmative defense to such action.
- 22 (j) State Payment.—In the event any of the State
- 23 payments are not paid as set forth in section 5, such failure
- 24 to pay shall give rise to a cause of action in the United
- 25 States District Court for the District of South Carolina by

- 1 the Tribe against the State of South Carolina for money
- 2 damages for the amount authorized to be paid to the Tribe
- 3 in section 5(d) in settlement of the Tribe's claim. Pursuant
- 4 to § 27–16–50 (E) of the State Act, the State of South Caro-
- 5 lina waives any Eleventh Amendment immunity to such
- 6 action.

# 7 SEC. 7. BASE MEMBERSHIP ROLL.

- 8 (a) Base Membership Roll Criteria.—Within one
- 9 year after enactment of this section, the Tribe shall submit
- 10 to the Secretary, for approval, its base membership roll. An
- 11 individual is eligible for inclusion on the base membership
- 12 roll if that individual is living on the date of enactment
- 13 of this Act and—
- 14 (1) is listed on the membership roll published by
- 15 the Secretary in the Federal Register on February 25,
- 16 1961 (26 FR 1680–1688, "Notice of Final Member-
- ship Roll"), and is not excluded under the provisions
- of subsection (c);
- 19 (2) the Executive Committee determines, based
- on the criteria used to compile the roll referred to in
- 21 paragraph (1), that the individual should have been
- included on the membership roll at that time, but was
- 23 not; or

1	(3) is a lineal descendant of a Member whose
2	name appeared or should have appeared on the mem-
3	bership roll referred to in paragraph (1).
4	(b) Base Membership Roll Notice.—Within 90
5	days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
6	publish in the Federal Register, and in three newspapers
7	of general circulation in the Tribe's service area, a notice
8	stating—
9	(1) that a base membership roll is being pre-
10	pared by the Tribe and that the current membership
11	roll is open and will remain open for a period of 90
12	days;
13	(2) the requirements for inclusion on the base
14	membership roll;
15	(3) the final membership roll published by the
16	Secretary in the Federal Register on February 25,
17	1961;
18	(4) the current membership roll as prepared by
19	the Executive Committee and approved by the Gen-
20	eral Council; and
21	(5) the name and address of the tribal or Federal
22	official to whom inquiries should be made.
23	(c) Completion of Base Membership Roll.—
24	Within 120 days after publication of notice under sub-
25	section (b), the Secretary, after consultation with the Tribe.

- 1 shall prepare and publish in the Federal Register, and in
- 2 three newspapers of general circulation in the Tribe's serv-
- 3 ice area, a proposed final base membership roll of the Tribe.
- 4 Within 60 days from the date of publication of the proposed
- 5 final base membership roll, an appeal may be filed with
- 6 the Executive Committee under rules made by the Executive
- 7 Committee in consultation with the Secretary. Such an ap-
- 8 peal may be filed by a Member with respect to the inclusion
- 9 of any name on the proposed final base membership roll
- 10 and by any person with respect to the exclusion of his or
- 11 her name from the final base membership roll. The Execu-
- 12 tive Committee shall review such appeals and render a deci-
- 13 sion, subject to the Secretary's approval. If the Executive
- 14 Committee and the Secretary disagree, the Secretary's deci-
- 15 sion will be final. All such appeals shall be resolved within
- 16 90 days following publication of the proposed roll. The final
- 17 base membership roll of the Tribe shall then be published
- 18 in the Federal Register, and in three newspapers of general
- 19 circulation in the Tribe's service area, and shall be final
- 20 for purposes of the distribution of funds from the Per Cap-
- 21 ita Trust Fund.
- 22 (e) FUTURE MEMBERSHIP IN THE TRIBE.—The Tribe
- 23 shall have the right to determine future membership in the
- 24 Tribe; however, in no event may an individual be enrolled
- 25 as a tribal member unless the individual is a lineal descend-

1	ant of a person on the base membership roll and has contin-						
2	ued to maintain political relations with the Tribe.						
3	SEC. 8. TRANSITIONAL AND PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.						
4	(a) Future Tribal Government.—The Tribe shall						
5	adopt a new constitution within 24 months after the effec-						
6	tive date of this Act.						
7	(b) Executive Committee as Transitional						
8	Body.—(1) Until the Tribe has adopted a constitution, the						
9	existing tribal constitution shall remain in effect and the						
10	Executive Committee is recognized as the provisional and						
11	transitional governing body of the Tribe. Until an election						
12	of tribal officers under the new constitution, the Executive						
13	Committee shall—						
14	(A) represent the Tribe and its Members in the						
15	implementation of this Act; and						
16	(B) during such period—						
17	(i) have full authority to enter into con-						
18	tracts, grant agreements and other arrangements						
19	with any Federal department or agency; and						
20	(ii) have full authority to administer or op-						
21	erate any program under such contracts or						
22	agreements.						
23	(2) Until the initial election of tribal officers under						
24	a new constitution and by-laws, the Executive Committee						
25	shall—						

(A) determine tribal membership in accordance 1 2 with the provisions of section 7; and (B) oversee and implement the revision and pro-3 posal to the Tribe of a new constitution and conduct 5 such tribal meetings and elections as are required by 6 this Act. SEC. 9. TRIBAL CONSTITUTION AND GOVERNANCE. 8 (a) Indian Reorganization Act.—If the Tribe so elects, it may organize under the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 461 et seq.; commonly referred to as the "Indian 10 Reorganization Act"). The Tribe shall be subject to such Act except to the extent such sections are inconsistent with this 13 Act. (b) Adoption of New Tribal Constitution.—With-14 in 180 days after the effective date of this Act, the Executive Committee shall draft and distribute to each Member eligible to vote under the tribal constitution in effect on the effective date of this Act, a proposed constitution and bylaws for the Tribe together with a brief, impartial description of the proposed constitution and bylaws and a notice of the date, time and location of the election under this subsection. Not sooner than 30 days or later than 90 days after the distribution of the proposed constitution, the Executive Committee shall conduct a secret-ballot election to adopt a

25 new constitution and bylaws.

- 1 (c) Majority Vote for Adoption; Procedure in
- 2 Event of Failure To Adopt Proposed Constitu-
- 3 TION.—(1) The tribal constitution and bylaws shall be rati-
- 4 fied and adopted if—
- 5 (A) not less than 30 percent of those entitled to
- 6 vote do vote; and
- 7 (B) approved by a majority of those actually vot-
- 8 ing.
- 9 (2) If in any such election such majority does not ap-
- 10 prove the adoption of the proposed constitution and bylaws,
- 11 the Executive Committee shall prepare another proposed
- 12 constitution and bylaws and present it to the Tribe in the
- 13 same manner provided in this section for the first constitu-
- 14 tion and bylaws. Such new proposed constitution and by-
- 15 laws shall be distributed to the eligible voters of the Tribe
- 16 no later than 180 days after the date of the election in which
- 17 the first proposed constitution and bylaws failed of adop-
- 18 tion. An election on the question of the adoption of the new
- 19 proposal of the Executive Committee shall be conducted in
- 20 the same manner provided in subsection (b) for the election
- 21 on the first proposed constitution and bylaws.
- 22 (d) Election of Tribal Officers.—Within 120
- 23 days after the Tribe ratifies and adopts a constitution and
- 24 bylaws, the Executive Committee shall conduct an election
- 25 by secret ballot for the purpose of electing tribal officials

1	as provided in the constitution and bylaws. Subsequent elec-
2	tions shall be held in accordance with the Tribe's constitu-
3	tion and bylaws.
4	(e) Extension of Time.—Any time periods pre-
5	scribed in subsections (b) and (c) may be altered by written
6	agreement between the Executive Committee and the Sec-
7	retary.
8	SEC. 10. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS RELATING TO JU-
9	RISDICTION, TAXATION, AND OTHER MAT-
10	TERS.
11	In the administration of this Act:
12	(1) All matters involving tribal powers, immuni-
13	ties, and jurisdiction, whether criminal, civil, or reg-
14	ulatory, shall be governed by the terms and provisions
15	of the Settlement Agreement and the State Act, unless
16	otherwise provided in this Act.
17	(2) All matters relating to taxation involving the
18	Tribe, its Members, and any property owned by or
19	held in trust for the Tribe or its Members, shall be
20	governed by the terms and provisions of the Settle-
21	ment Agreement and the State Act, unless otherwise
22	provided in this Act.
23	(3) All matters pertaining to governance and
24	regulation of the reservation (including environ-

mental regulation and riparian rights) shall be gov-

- erned by the terms and provisions of the Settlement

  Agreement and the State Act, including, but not limited to, section 17 of the Settlement Agreement and

  section 27–16–120 of the State Act, unless otherwise

  provided in this Act.
  - (4) The Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.) shall apply to Catawba Indian children except as provided in the Settlement Agreement.
  - (5) Whether or not the Tribe, under section 9(a), elects to organize under the Act of June 18, 1934, the Tribe, in any constitution adopted by the Tribe, may be authorized to exercise such authority as is consistent with the Settlement Agreement and the State Act.
  - (6) Section 7871 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 7871, commonly referred to as the "Indian Tribal Government Tax Status Act) shall apply to the Tribe and its Reservation. In no event, however, may the Tribe pledge or hypothecate the income or principal of the Catawba Education or Social Services and Elderly Trust Funds or otherwise use them as security or a source of payment for bonds the Tribe may issue.
  - (7) The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.) shall

- 1 apply to the Tribe except to the extent that such ap-
- 2 plication may be inconsistent with this Act or the
- 3 Settlement Agreement.

## 4 SEC. 11. TRIBAL TRUST FUNDS.

- 5 (a) Purposes of Trust Funds.—All funds paid
- 6 pursuant to section 5 of this Act, except for payments made
- 7 pursuant to section 6(g), shall be deposited with the Sec-
- 8 retary in trust for the benefit of the Tribe. Separate trust
- 9 funds shall be established for the following purposes: eco-
- 10 nomic development, land acquisition, education, social serv-
- 11 ices and elderly assistance, and per capita payments. Ex-
- 12 cept as provided in this section, the Tribe, in consultation
- 13 with the Secretary, shall determine the share of settlement
- 14 payments to be deposited in each Trust Fund, and define,
- 15 consistently with the provisions of this section, the purposes
- 16 of each Trust Fund and provisions for administering each,
- 17 specifically including provisions for periodic distribution of
- 18 current and accumulated income, and for invasion and res-
- 19 toration of principal.
- 20 (b) Outside Management Option.—(1) The Tribe,
- 21 in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Sec-
- 22 retary, as set forth in this section, is authorized to place
- 23 any of the Trust Funds under professional management,
- 24 outside the Department of the Interior.

- 1 (2) If the Tribe elects to place any of the Trust Funds
- 2 under professional management outside the Department of
- 3 the Interior, it may engage a consulting or advisory firm
- 4 to assist in the selection of an independent professional in-
- 5 vestment management firm, and it shall engage, with the
- 6 approval of the Secretary, an independent investment man-
- 7 agement firm of proven competence and experience estab-
- 8 lished in the business of counseling large endowments,
- 9 trusts, or pension funds.
- 10 (3) The Secretary shall have 45 days to approve or
- 11 reject any independent investment management firm se-
- 12 lected by the Tribe. If the Secretary fails to approve or reject
- 13 the firm selected by the Tribe within 45 days, the invest-
- 14 ment management firm selected by the Tribe shall be
- 15 deemed to have been approved by the Secretary.
- 16 (4) Secretarial approval of an investment management
- 17 firm shall not be unreasonably withheld, and any Secretar-
- 18 ial disapproval of an investment management firm shall
- 19 be accompanied by a detailed explanation setting forth the
- 20 Secretary's reasons for such disapproval.
- 21 (5)(A) For funds placed under professional manage-
- 22 ment, the Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary and its
- 23 investment manager, shall develop—
- 24 (i) current operating and long-term capital
- 25 budgets; and

- 1 (ii) a plan for managing, investing, and distrib-
- 2 uting income and principal from the Trust Funds to
- 3 match the requirements of the Tribe's operating and
- 4 capital budgets.
- 5 (B) For each Trust Fund which the Tribe elects to
- 6 place under outside professional management, the invest-
- 7 ment plan shall provide for investment of Trust Fund assets
- 8 so as to serve the purposes described in this section and
- 9 in the Trust Fund provisions which the Tribe shall establish
- 10 in consultation with the Secretary and the independent in-
- 11 vestment management firm.
- 12 (C) Distributions from each Trust Fund shall not ex-
- 13 ceed the limits on the use of principal and income imposed
- 14 by the applicable provisions of this Act for that particular
- 15 Trust Fund.
- 16 (D)(i) The Tribe's investment management plan shall
- 17 not become effective until approved by the Secretary.
- 18 (ii) Upon submission of the plan by the Tribe to the
- 19 Secretary for approval, the Secretary shall have 45 days
- 20 to approve or reject the plan. If the Secretary fails to ap-
- 21 prove or disapprove the plan within 45 days, the plan shall
- 22 be deemed to have been approved by the Secretary and shall
- 23 become effective immediately.
- 24 (iii) Secretarial approval of the plan shall not be un-
- 25 reasonably withheld and any secretarial rejection of the

- 1 plan shall be accompanied by a detailed explanation setting
- 2 forth the Secretary's reasons for rejecting the plan.
- 3 (E) Until the selection of an established investment
- 4 management firm of proven competence and experience, the
- 5 Tribe shall rely on the management, investment, and ad-
- 6 ministration of the Trust Funds by the Secretary pursuant
- 7 to the provisions of this section.
- 8 (c) Transfer of Trust Funds; Exculpation of
- 9 Secretary.—Upon the Secretary's approval of the Tribe's
- 10 investment management firm and an investment manage-
- 11 ment plan, all funds previously deposited in trust funds
- 12 held by the Secretary and all funds subsequently paid into
- 13 the trust funds, which are chosen for outside management,
- 14 shall be transferred to the accounts established by an invest-
- 15 ment management firm in accordance with the approved
- 16 investment management plan. The Secretary shall be excul-
- 17 pated by the Tribe from liability for any loss of principal
- 18 or interest resulting from investment decisions made by the
- 19 investment management firm. Any Trust Fund transferred
- 20 to an investment management firm shall be returned to the
- 21 Secretary upon written request of the Tribe, and the Sec-
- 22 retary shall manage such funds for the benefit of the Tribe.
- 23 (d) Land Acquisition Trust.—(1) The Secretary
- 24 shall establish and maintain a Catawba Land Acquisition
- 25 Trust Fund, and until the Tribe engages an outside firm

- 1 for investment management of this trust fund, the Secretary
- 2 shall manage, invest, and administer this trust fund. The
- 3 original principal amount of the Land Acquisition Trust
- 4 Fund shall be determined by the Tribe in consultation with
- 5 the Secretary.
- 6 (2) The principal and income of the Land Acquisition
- 7 Trust Fund may be used for the purchase and development
- 8 of Reservation and non-Reservation land pursuant to the
- 9 Settlement Agreement, costs related to land acquisition, and
- 10 costs of construction of infrastructure and development of
- 11 the Reservation and non-Reservation land.
- 12 (3)(A) Upon acquisition of the maximum amount of
- 13 land allowed for expansion of the Reservation, or upon re-
- 14 quest of the Tribe and approval of the Secretary pursuant
- 15 to the Secretarial approval provisions set forth in subsection
- 16 (b)(5)(D) of this section, all or part of the balance of this
- 17 trust fund may be merged into one or more of the Economic
- 18 Development Trust Fund, the Education Trust Fund, or the
- 19 Social Services and Elderly Assistance Trust Fund.
- 20 (B) Alternatively, at the Tribe's election, the Land Ac-
- 21 quisition Trust Fund may remain in existence after all the
- 22 Reservation land is purchased in order to pay for the pur-
- 23 chase of non-Reservation land.
- 24 (4)(A) The Tribe may pledge or hypothecate the income
- 25 and principal of the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to secure

- 1 loans for the purchase of Reservation and non-Reservation
- 2 lands.
- 3 (B) Following the effective date of this Act and before
- 4 the final annual disbursement is made as provided in sec-
- 5 tion 5 of this Act, the Tribe may pledge or hypothecate up
- 6 to 50 percent of the unpaid annual installments required
- 7 to be paid to this Trust Fund, the Economic Development
- 8 Trust Fund and the Social Services and Elderly Assistance
- 9 Trust Fund by section 5 of this Act and by section 5 of
- 10 the Settlement Agreement, to secure loans to finance the ac-
- 11 quisition of Reservation or non-Reservation land or infra-
- 12 structure improvements on such lands.
- 13 (e) Economic Development Trust.—(1) The Sec-
- 14 retary shall establish and maintain a Catawba Economic
- 15 Development Trust Fund, and until the Tribe engages an
- 16 outside firm for investment management of this Trust
- 17 Fund, the Secretary shall manage, invest, and administer
- 18 this Trust Fund. The original principal amount of the Eco-
- 19 nomic Development Trust Fund shall be determined by the
- 20 Tribe in consultation with the Secretary. The principal and
- 21 income of this Trust Fund may be used to support tribal
- 22 economic development activities, including but not limited
- 23 to infrastructure improvements and tribal business ventures
- 24 and commercial investments benefiting the Tribe.

- 1 (2) The Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary, may
- 2 pledge or hypothecate future income and up to 50 percent
- 3 of the principal of this Trust Fund to secure loans for eco-
- 4 nomic development. In defining the provisions for adminis-
- 5 tration of this Trust Fund, and before pledging or hypoth-
- 6 ecating future income or principal, the Tribe and the Sec-
- 7 retary shall agree on rules and standards for the invasion
- 8 of principal and for repayment or restoration of principal,
- 9 which shall encourage preservation of principal, and pro-
- 10 vide that, if feasible, a portion of all profits derived from
- 11 activities funded by principal be applied to repayment of
- 12 the Trust Fund.
- 13 (3) Following the effective date of this Act and before
- 14 the final annual disbursement is made as provided in sec-
- 15 tion 5 of this Act, the Tribe may pledge or hypothecate up
- 16 to 50 percent of the unpaid annual installments required
- 17 to be paid by section 5 of this Act and by section 5 of the
- 18 Settlement Agreement to secure loans to finance economic
- 19 development activities of the Tribe, including (but not lim-
- 20 ited to) infrastructure improvements on Reservation and
- 21 non-Reservation lands.
- 22 (4) If the Tribe develops sound lending guidelines ap-
- 23 proved by the Secretary, a portion of the income from this
- 24 Trust Fund may also be used to fund a revolving credit

- 1 account for loans to support tribal businesses or business
- 2 enterprises of tribal members.
- 3 (f) Education Trust.—The Secretary shall establish
- 4 and maintain a Catawba Education Trust Fund, and until
- 5 the Tribe engages an outside firm for investment manage-
- 6 ment of this Trust Fund, the Secretary shall manage, in-
- 7 vest, and administer this Trust Fund. The original prin-
- 8 cipal amount of this Trust Fund shall be determined by
- 9 the Tribe in consultation with the Secretary; subject to the
- 10 requirement that upon completion of all payments into the
- 11 Trust Funds, an amount equal to at least 1/3 of all State,
- 12 local, and private contributions made pursuant to the Set-
- 13 tlement Agreement shall have been paid into the Education
- 14 Trust Fund. Income from this Trust Fund shall be distrib-
- 15 uted in a manner consistent with the terms of the Settle-
- 16 ment Agreement. The principal of this Trust Fund shall
- 17 not be invaded or transferred to any other Trust Fund, nor
- 18 shall it be pledged or encumbered as security.
- 19 (g) Social Services and Elderly Assistance
- 20 Trust.—(1) The Secretary shall establish and maintain a
- 21 Catawba Social Services and Elderly Assistance Trust
- 22 Fund and, until the Tribe engages an outside firm for in-
- 23 vestment management of this Trust Fund, the Secretary
- 24 shall manage, invest, and administer the Social Services
- 25 and Elderly Assistance Trust Fund. The original principal

- 1 amount of this Trust Fund shall be determined by the Tribe
- 2 in consultation with the Secretary.
- 3 (2) The income of this Trust Fund shall be periodically
- 4 distributed to the Tribe to support social services programs,
- 5 including (but not limited to) housing, care of elderly, or
- 6 physically or mentally disabled Members, child care, sup-
- 7 plemental health care, education, cultural preservation,
- 8 burial and cemetery maintenance, and operation of tribal
- 9 government.
- 10 (3) The Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary, shall
- 11 establish eligibility criteria and procedures to carry out this
- 12 subsection.
- 13 (h) PER CAPITA PAYMENT TRUST FUND.—(1) The
- 14 Secretary shall establish and maintain a Catawba Per Cap-
- 15 ita Payment Trust Fund in an amount equal to 15 percent
- 16 of the settlement funds paid pursuant to section 5 of the
- 17 Settlement Agreement. Until the Tribe engages an outside
- 18 firm for investment management of this Trust Fund, the
- 19 Secretary shall manage, invest, and administer the Ca-
- 20 tawba Per Capita Payment Trust Fund.
- 21 (2) Each person (or their estate) whose name appears
- 22 on the final base membership roll of the Tribe published
- 23 by the Secretary pursuant to section 7(c) of this Act will
- 24 receive a one-time, non-recurring payment from this Trust
- 25 Fund.

- 1 (3) The amount payable to each member shall be deter-
- 2 mined by dividing the trust principal and any accrued in-
- 3 terest thereon by the number of Members on the final base
- 4 membership roll.
- 5 (4)(A) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, each
- 6 enrolled member who has reached the age of 21 years on
- 7 the date the final roll is published shall receive the payment
- 8 on the date of distribution, which shall be as soon as prac-
- 9 ticable after date of publication of the final base member-
- 10 ship roll. Adult Members shall be paid their pro rata share
- 11 of this Trust Fund on the date of distribution unless they
- 12 elect in writing to leave their pro rata share in the Trust
- 13 Fund, in which case such share shall not be distributed.
- 14 (B) The pro rata share of adult Members who elect not
- 15 to withdraw their payment from this Trust Fund shall be
- 16 managed, invested and administered, together with the
- 17 funds of Members who have not attained the age of 21 years
- 18 on the date the final base membership roll is published,
- 19 until such Member requests in writing that their pro rata
- 20 share be distributed, at which time such Member's pro rata
- 21 share shall be paid, together with the net income of the
- 22 Trust Fund allocable to such Member's share as of the date
- 23 of distribution.
- 24 (C) No member may elect to have their pro rata share
- 25 managed by this Trust Fund for a period of more than 21

- 1 years after the date of publication of the final base member-
- 2 ship roll.
- 3 (5)(A) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, the
- 4 pro rata share of any Member who has not attained the
- 5 age of 21 years on the date the final base membership roll
- 6 is published shall be managed, invested and administered
- 7 pursuant to the provisions of this section until such Member
- 8 has attained the age of 21 years, at which time such Mem-
- 9 ber's pro rata share shall be paid, together with the net in-
- 10 come of the Trust Fund allocable to such Member's share
- 11 as of the date of payment. Such Members shall be paid their
- 12 pro rata share of this Trust Fund on the date they attain
- 13 21 years of age unless they elect in writing to leave their
- 14 pro rata share in the Trust Fund, in which case such share
- 15 shall not be distributed.
- 16 (B) The pro rata share of such Members who elect not
- 17 to withdraw their payment from this trust fund shall be
- 18 managed, invested and administered, together with the
- 19 funds of members who have not attained the age of 21 years
- 20 on the date the final base membership roll is published,
- 21 until such Member requests in writing that their pro rata
- 22 share be distributed, at which time such Member's pro rata
- 23 share shall be paid, together with the net income of the
- 24 Trust Fund allocable to such Member's share as of the date
- 25 of distribution.

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- 2 retained and managed by this Trust Fund beyond the expi-
- 3 ration of the period of 21 years after the date of publication
- 4 of the final base membership roll.
- 5 (6) After payments have been made to all Members en-
- 6 titled to receive payments, this Trust Fund shall terminate,
- 7 and any balance remaining in this Trust Fund shall be
- 8 merged into the Economic Development Trust Fund, the
- 9 Education Trust Fund, or the Social Services and Elderly
- 10 Assistance Trust Fund, as the Tribe may determine.
- 11 (i) Duration of Trust Funds.—Subject to the pro-
- 12 visions of this section and with the exception of the Catawba
- 13 Per Capita Payment Trust Fund, the Trust Funds estab-
- 14 lished in accordance with this section shall continue in ex-
- 15 istence so long as the Tribe exists and is recognized by the
- 16 United States. The principal of these Trust Funds shall not
- 17 be invaded or distributed except as expressly authorized in
- 18 this Act or in the Settlement Agreement.
- 19 (j) Transfer of Money Among Trust Funds.—The
- 20 Tribe, in consultation with the Secretary, shall have the au-
- 21 thority to transfer principal and accumulated income be-
- 22 tween Trust Funds only as follows:
- 23 (1) Funds may be transferred among the Ca-
- 24 tawba Economic Development Trust Fund, the Ca-
- 25 tawba Land Acquisition Trust Fund and the Ca-

- tawba Social Services and Elderly Assistance Trust

  Fund, and from any of those three Trust Funds into

  the Catawba Education Trust Fund; except, that the

  mandatory share of State, local, and private sector

  funds invested in the original corpus of the Catawba

  Education Trust Fund shall not be transferred to any

  other Trust Fund.
- (2) Any Trust Fund, except for the Catawba 8 Education Trust Fund, may be dissolved by a vote of 9 10 two-thirds of those Members eligible to vote, and the assets in such Trust Fund shall be transferred to the 11 remaining Trust Funds; except, that (A) no assets 12 13 shall be transferred from any of the Trust Funds into 14 the Catawba Per Capita Payment Trust Fund, and (B) the mandatory share of State, local and private 15 funds invested in the original corpus of the Catawba 16 17 Education Trust Fund may not be transferred or 18 used for any non-educational purposes.
  - (3) The dissolution of any Trust Fund shall require the approval of the Secretary pursuant to the Secretarial approval provisions set forth in subsection (b)(5)(D) of this section.
- 23 (k) Trust Fund Accounting.—(1) The Secretary 24 shall account to the Tribe periodically, and at least annu-

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1	ally, for all Catawba Trust Funds being managed and ad-
2	ministered by the Secretary. The accounting shall—
3	(A) identify the assets in which the Trust Funds
4	have been invested during the relevant period;
5	(B) report income earned during the period, dis-
6	tinguishing current income and capital gains;
7	(C) indicate dates and amounts of distributions
8	to the Tribe, separately distinguishing current in-
9	come, accumulated income, and distributions of prin-
10	cipal; and
11	(D) identify any invasions or repayments of
12	principal during the relevant period and record pro-
13	visions the Tribe has made for repayment or restora-
14	tion of principal.
15	(2)(A) Any outside investment management firm en-
16	gaged by the Tribe shall account to the Tribe and separately
17	to the Secretary at periodic intervals, at least quarterly.
18	Its accounting shall—
19	(i) identify the assets in which the Trust Funds
20	have been invested during the relevant period;
21	(ii) report income earned during the period, sep-
22	arating current income and capital gains;
23	(iii) indicate dates and amounts of distributions
24	to the Tribe, distinguishing current income, accumu-
25	lated income, and distributions of principal; and

- 1 (iv) identify any invasions or repayments of
- 2 principal during the relevant period and record pro-
- 3 visions the Tribe has made for repayment or restora-
- 4 tion of principal.
- 5 (B) Prior to distributing principal from any Trust
- 6 Fund, the investment management firm shall notify the
- 7 Secretary of the proposed distribution and the Tribe's pro-
- 8 posed use of such funds, following procedures to be agreed
- 9 upon by the investment management firm, the Secretary,
- 10 and the Tribe. The Secretary shall have 15 days within
- 11 which to object in writing to any such invasion of prin-
- 12 cipal. Failure to object will be deemed approval of the
- 13 distribution.
- 14 (C) All Trust Funds held and managed by any invest-
- 15 ment management firm shall be audited annually by a cer-
- 16 tified public accounting firm approved by the Secretary,
- 17 and a copy of the annual audit shall be submitted to the
- 18 Tribe and to the Secretary within four months following
- 19 the close of the Trust Funds' fiscal year.
- 20 (1) Replacement of Investment Management
- 21 Firm and Modification of Investment Management
- 22 Plan.—The Tribe shall not replace the investment manage-
- 23 ment firm approved by the Secretary without prior written
- 24 notification to the Secretary and approval by the Secretary
- 25 of any investment management firm chosen by the Tribe

- 1 as a replacement. Such Secretarial approval shall be given
- 2 or denied in accordance with the Secretarial approval pro-
- 3 visions contained in subsection (b)(5)(D) of this section. The
- 4 Tribe and its investment management firm shall also notify
- 5 the Secretary in writing of any revisions in the investment
- 6 management plan which materially increase investment
- 7 risk or significantly change the investment management
- 8 plan, or the agreement, made in consultation with the Sec-
- 9 retary pursuant to which the outside management firm was
- 10 retained.
- 11 (m) Trust Funds Not Counted for Certain Pur-
- 12 POSES; USE AS MATCHING FUNDS.—None of the funds, as-
- 13 sets, income, payments, or distributions from the trust
- 14 funds established pursuant to this section shall at any time
- 15 affect the eligibility of the Tribe or its Members for, or be
- 16 used as a basis for denying or reducing funds to the Tribe
- 17 or its Members under any Federal, State, or local program.
- 18 Distributions from these Trust Funds may be used as
- 19 matching funds, where appropriate, for Federal grants or
- 20 loans.

#### 21 SEC. 12. ESTABLISHMENT OF EXPANDED RESERVATION.

- 22 (a) Existing Reservation.—The Secretary is au-
- 23 thorized to receive from the State, by such transfer docu-
- 24 ment as the Secretary and the State shall approve, all
- 25 rights, title, and interests of the State in and to the Existing

- 1 Reservation to be held by the United States as trustee for
- 2 the Tribe, and, effective on the date of such transfer, the
- 3 obligation of the State as trustee for the Tribe with respect
- 4 to such land shall cease.
- 5 (b) Expanded Reservation.—(1) The Existing Res-
- 6 ervation shall be expanded in the manner prescribed by the
- 7 Settlement Agreement.
- 8 (2) Within 180 days following the date of the enact-
- 9 ment of this Act, the Secretary, after consulting with the
- 10 Tribe, shall ascertain the boundaries and area of the exist-
- 11 ing reservation. In addition, the Secretary, after consulting
- 12 with the Tribe, shall engage a professional land planning
- 13 firm as provided in the Settlement Agreement. The Sec-
- 14 retary shall bear the cost of all services rendered pursuant
- 15 to this section.
- 16 (3) The Tribe may identify, purchase and request that
- 17 the Secretary place into reservation status, tracts of lands
- 18 in the manner prescribed by the Settlement Agreement. The
- 19 Tribe may not request that any land be placed in reserva-
- 20 tion status, unless those lands were acquired by the Tribe
- 21 and qualify for reservation status in full compliance with
- 22 the Settlement Agreement, including section 14 thereof.
- 23 (4) The Secretary shall bear the cost of all title exami-
- 24 nations, preliminary subsurface soil investigations, and
- 25 level one environmental audits to be performed on each par-

- 1 cel contemplated for purchase by the Tribe or the Secretary
- 2 for the Expanded Reservation, and shall report the results
- 3 to the Tribe. The Secretary's or the Tribe's payment of any
- 4 option fee and the purchase price may be drawn from the
- 5 Catawba Land Acquisition Trust Fund.
- 6 (5) The total area of the Expanded Reservation shall
- 7 be limited to 3,000 acres, including the Existing Reserva-
- 8 tion, but the Tribe may exclude from this limit up to 600
- 9 acres of additional land under the conditions set forth in
- 10 the Settlement Agreement. The Tribe may seek to have the
- 11 permissible area of the Expanded Reservation enlarged by
- 12 an additional 600 acres as set forth in the Settlement
- 13 Agreement.
- 14 (6) All lands acquired for the Expanded Reservation
- 15 shall be held in trust together with the Existing Reservation
- 16 which the State is to convey to the United States.
- 17 (7) Nothing in this Act shall prohibit the Secretary
- 18 from providing technical and financial assistance to the
- 19 Tribe to fulfill the purposes of this section.
- 20 (c) Expansion Zones.—(1) Subject to the conditions,
- 21 criteria, and procedures set forth in the Settlement Agree-
- 22 ment, the Tribe shall endeavor at the outset to acquire con-
- 23 tiguous tracts for the Expanded Reservation in the "Ca-
- 24 tawba Reservation Primary Expansion Zone", as defined
- 25 in the Settlement Agreement.

- 1 (2) Subject to the conditions, criteria, and procedures
- 2 set forth in the Settlement Agreement, the Tribe may elect
- 3 to purchase contiguous tracts in an alternative area, the
- 4 "Catawba Reservation Secondary Expansion Zone", as de-
- 5 fined in the Settlement Agreement.
- 6 (3) The Tribe may propose different or additional
- 7 expansion zones subject to the authorizations required in
- 8 the Settlement Agreement and the State implementing
- 9 legislation.
- 10 (d) Non-Contiguous Tracts.—The Tribe, in con-
- 11 sultation with the Secretary, shall take such actions as are
- 12 reasonable to expand the Existing Reservation by assem-
- 13 bling a composite tract of contiguous parcels that border
- 14 and surround the Existing Reservation. Before requesting
- 15 that any non-contiguous tract be placed in Reservation sta-
- 16 tus, the Tribe shall comply with section 14 of the Settlement
- 17 Agreement. Upon the approval of the Tribe's application
- 18 under and in accordance with section 14 of the Settlement
- 19 Agreement, the Secretary, in consultation with the Tribe,
- 20 may proceed to place non-contiguous tracts in Reservation
- 21 status. No purchases of non-contiguous tracts shall be made
- 22 for the Reservation except as set forth in the Settlement
- 23 Agreement and the State implementing legislation.
- 24 (e) VOLUNTARY LAND PURCHASES.—(1) The power of
- 25 eminent domain shall not be used by the Secretary or any

- 1 governmental authority in acquiring parcels of land for the
- 2 benefit of the Tribe, whether or not the parcels are to be
- 3 part of the Reservation. All such purchases shall be made
- 4 only from willing sellers by voluntary conveyances subject
- 5 to the terms of the Settlement Agreement.
- 6 (2) Conveyances by private land owners to the Sec-
- 7 retary or to the Tribe for the Expanded Reservation will
- 8 be deemed, however, to be involuntary conversions within
- 9 the meaning of section 1033 of the Internal Revenue Code
- 10 of 1986.
- 11 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section
- 12 and the provisions of the first section of the Act of August
- 13 1, 1888 (ch. 728, 25 Stat. 357; 40 U.S.C. 257), and the
- 14 first section of the Act of February 26, 1931 (ch. 307, 46
- 15 Stat. 1421; 40 U.S.C. 258a), the Secretary or the Tribe may
- 16 acquire a less than complete interest in land otherwise
- 17 qualifying under section 14 of the Settlement Agreement for
- 18 treatment as Reservation land for the benefit of the Tribe
- 19 from the ostensible owner of the land if the Secretary or
- 20 the Tribe and the ostensible owner have agreed upon the
- 21 identity of the land to be sold and upon the purchase price
- 22 and other terms of sale. If the ostensible owner agrees to
- 23 the sale, the Secretary may use condemnation proceedings
- 24 to perfect or clear title and to acquire any interests of puta-
- 25 tive co-tenants whose address is unknown or the interests

- 1 of unknown or unborn heirs or persons subject to mental
- 2 disability.
- 3 (f) TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ACQUISITION.—All
- 4 properties acquired by the Secretary for the Tribe or ac-
- 5 quired by the Tribe shall be acquired subject to the terms
- 6 and conditions set forth in the Settlement Agreement. The
- 7 Tribe and the Secretary, acting on behalf of the Tribe and
- 8 with its consent, are also authorized to acquire Reservation
- 9 and non-Reservation lands using the methods of financing
- 10 described in the Settlement Agreement.
- 11 (g) AUTHORITY TO ERECT PERMANENT IMPROVE-
- 12 MENTS ON EXISTING AND EXPANDED RESERVATION LAND
- 13 AND NON-RESERVATION LAND HELD IN TRUST.—Notwith-
- 14 standing any other provision of law or regulation, the At-
- 15 torney General of the United States may approve any deed
- 16 or other instrument which conveys to the United States
- 17 lands purchased pursuant to the provisions of this section
- 18 and the Settlement Agreement. The Secretary or the Tribe
- 19 may erect permanent improvements of a substantial value,
- 20 or any other improvements authorized by law on such land
- 21 after such land is conveyed to the United States.
- 22 (h) Easements Over Reservation.—(1) The acqui-
- 23 sition of lands for the Expanded Reservation shall not ex-
- 24 tinguish any easements or rights-of-way then encumbering
- 25 such lands unless the Secretary or the Tribe enters into a

- 1 written agreement with the owners terminating such ease-
- 2 ments or rights-of-way.
- 3 (2)(A) The Tribe, with the approval of the Secretary,
- 4 shall have the power to grant or convey easements and
- 5 rights-of-way, in a manner consistent with the Settlement
- 6 Agreement.
- 7 (B) Unless the Tribe and the State agree upon a valu-
- 8 ation formula for pricing easements over the Reservation,
- 9 the Secretary shall be subject to proceedings for condemna-
- 10 tion and eminent domain to acquire easements and rights
- 11 of way for public purposes through the Reservation under
- 12 the laws of the State in circumstances where no other rea-
- 13 sonable access is available.
- 14 (C) With the approval of the Tribe, the Secretary may
- 15 grant easements or rights-of-way over the Reservation for
- 16 private purposes, and implied easements of necessity shall
- 17 apply to all lands acquired by the Tribe, unless expressly
- 18 excluded by the parties.
- 19 (i) Jurisdictional Status.—Only land made part
- 20 of the Reservation shall be governed by the special jurisdic-
- 21 tional provisions set forth in the Settlement Agreement and
- 22 the State Act.
- 23 (j) Sale and Transfer of Reservation Lands.—
- 24 With the approval of the Secretary, the Tribe may sell, ex-
- 25 change, or lease lands within the Reservation, and sell tim-

- 1 ber or other natural resources on the Reservation under cir-
- 2 cumstances and in the manner prescribed by the Settlement
- 3 Agreement and the State Act.
- 4 (k) Time Limit on Acquisitions.—All acquisitions
- 5 of contiguous land to expand the Reservation or of non-
- 6 contiguous lands to be placed in Reservation status shall
- 7 be completed or under contract of purchase within 10 years
- 8 from the date the last payment is made into the Land Ac-
- 9 quisition Trust; except that for a period of 20 years after
- 10 the date the last payment is made into the Catawba Land
- 11 Acquisition Trust Fund, the Tribe may, subject to the limi-
- 12 tation on the total size of the Reservation, continue to add
- 13 parcels to up to two Reservation areas so long as the parcels
- 14 acquired are contiguous to one of those two Reservation
- 15 areas.
- 16 (1) Leases of Reservation Lands.—The provisions
- 17 of the first section of the Act of August 9, 1955 (ch. 615,
- 18 69 Stat. 539; 25 U.S.C. 415) shall not apply to the Tribe
- 19 and its Reservation. The Tribe, with the approval of the
- 20 Secretary, shall be authorized to lease its Reservation lands
- 21 for terms up to but not exceeding 99 years.
- 22 (m) Non-Applicability of BIA Land Acquisition
- 23 Regulations.—The general land acquisition regulations
- 24 of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, contained in part 151 of

- 1 title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, shall not apply to
- 2 the acquisition of lands authorized by this section.

## 3 SEC. 13. NON-RESERVATION PROPERTIES.

- 4 (a) Acquisition of Non-Reservation Prop-
- 5 ERTIES.—The Tribe may draw upon the corpus or accumu-
- 6 lated income of the Catawba Land Acquisition Trust Fund
- 7 or the Catawba Economic Development Trust Fund to ac-
- 8 quire and hold parcels of real estate outside the Reservation
- 9 for the purposes and in the manner delineated in the Settle-
- 10 ment Agreement. Jurisdiction and status of all non-Res-
- 11 ervation lands shall be governed by section 15 of the Settle-
- 12 ment Agreement.
- 13 (b) Authority To Dispose of Lands.—Notwith-
- 14 standing any other provision of law, the Tribe may lease,
- 15 sell, mortgage, restrict, encumber, or otherwise dispose of
- 16 such non-Reservation lands in the same manner as other
- 17 persons and entities under State law, and the Tribe as land
- 18 owner shall be subject to the same obligations and respon-
- 19 sibilities as other persons and entities under State, Federal,
- 20 and local law.
- 21 (c) Restrictions.—Ownership and transfer of non-
- 22 Reservation parcels shall not be subject to Federal law re-
- 23 strictions on alienation, including (but not limited to) the
- 24 restrictions imposed by Federal common law and the provi-

- 1 sions of the section 2116 of the Revised Statutes (25 U.S.C.
- 2 177).

## 3 SEC. 14. GAMES OF CHANCE.

- 4 (a) Inapplicability of Indian Gaming Regulatory
- 5 Act.—The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701
- 6 et seq.) shall not apply to the Tribe.
- 7 (b) Games of Chance Generally.—The Tribe shall
- 8 have the rights and responsibilities set forth in the Settle-
- 9 ment Agreement and the State Act with respect to the con-
- 10 duct of games of chance. Except as specifically set forth in
- 11 the Settlement Agreement and the State Act, all laws, ordi-
- 12 nances, and regulations of the State, and its political sub-
- 13 divisions, shall govern the regulation of gambling devices
- 14 and the conduct of gambling or wagering by the Tribe on
- 15 and off the Reservation.

## 16 SEC. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- 17 (a) Severability.—If any provision of section 4(a),
- 18 5, or 6 of this Act is rendered invalid by the final action
- 19 of a court, then all of this Act is invalid. Should any other
- 20 section of this Act be rendered invalid by the final action
- 21 of a court, the remaining sections of this Act shall remain
- 22 in full force and effect.
- 23 (b) Interpretation Consistent With Settlement
- 24 AGREEMENT.—To the extent possible, this Act shall be con-
- 25 strued in a manner consistent with the Settlement Agree-

- 1 ment and the State Act. In the event of a conflict between
- 2 the provisions of this Act and the Settlement Agreement or
- 3 the State Act, the terms of this Act shall govern. In the event
- 4 of a conflict between the State Act and the Settlement Agree-
- 5 ment, the terms of the State Act shall govern. The Settle-
- 6 ment Agreement and the State Act shall be maintained on
- 7 file and available for public inspection at the Department
- 8 of the Interior.
- 9 (c) Impact of Subsequently Enacted Laws.—The
- 10 provisions of any Federal law enacted after the date of en-
- 11 actment of this Act shall not apply in the State if such
- 12 provision would materially affect or preempt the applica-
- 13 tion of the laws of the State, including application of the
- 14 laws of the State applicable to lands owned by or held in
- 15 trust for Indians, or Indian Nations, Tribes or bands of
- 16 Indians. However, such Federal law shall apply within the
- 17 State if the State grants its approval by a law or joint
- 18 resolution enacted by the General Assembly of South Caro-
- 19 lina and signed by the Governor.
- 20 (d) Eligibility for Consideration To Become an
- 21 Enterprise Zone or General Purpose Foreign
- 22 Trade Zone.—Notwithstanding the provisions of any
- 23 other law or regulation, the Tribe shall be eligible to become,
- 24 sponsor and operate (1) an "enterprise zone" pursuant to
- 25 title VII of the Housing and Community Development Act

- of 1987 (42 U.S.C. 11501–11505) or any other applicable Federal (or State) laws or regulations; or (2) a "foreigntrade zone" or "subzone" pursuant to the Foreign Trade Zones Act of 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u) and the regulations thereunder, to the same extent as other federally recognized Indian Tribes. 7 (e) General Applicability of State Law.—Consistent with the provisions of section 4(a)(2), the provisions of South Carolina Code Annotated, section 27–16–40, and section 19.1 of the Settlement Agreement are approved, ratified, and confirmed by the United States, and shall be complied with in the same manner and to the same extent as if they had been enacted into Federal law. (f) Subsequent Amendments to the Settlement 14 AGREEMENT OR STATE ACT.—Consent is hereby given to the Tribe and the State to amend the Settlement Agreement and the State Act if consent to such amendment is given by both the State and the Tribe, and if such amendment relates to— 19 20 (1) the jurisdiction, enforcement, or application of civil, criminal, regulatory, or tax laws of the Tribe 21 22 and the State:
- 23 (2) the allocation or determination of govern-24 mental responsibility of the State and the Tribe over 25 specified subject matters or specified geographical

areas, or both, including provision for concurrent ju-1 2 risdiction between the State and the Tribe: 3 (3) the allocation of jurisdiction between the tribal courts and the State courts; or (4) technical and other corrections and revisions to conform the State Act and the Agreement in Prin-6 ciple attached to the State Act to the Settlement 7 Agreement. 8 SEC. 16. EFFECTIVE DATE. Except for section 12, the provisions of this Act shall 10 become effective upon the transfer of the Existing Reservation under section 12 to the Secretary. S 1156 RS——2 S 1156 RS——3 S 1156 RS——4 S 1156 RS——5 S 1156 RS——6 S 1156 RS——7

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