Tribal Court Name

Case Name

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ORDER FOR CHILD SUPPORT

The tribal court has authority to make this order [*according to Section of Tribal Code or Constitution, if applicable*] because:

[*Child’s name*] is a tribal citizen and [describe how case came before the court].

The mother got notice of the tribal court case in the following way: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The father got notice of the tribal court case in the following way: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

[*If there is another person involved, like a grandmother who is raising the child, list that person too, and how they got notice of the case*]

A hearing in front of judge(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_was held on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The parties present for the hearing were: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

To the best of the court’s knowledge, there is no other child support order for the child at this time. [*Describe how the Tribe checked with Alaska Child Support Services Division to make sure there is no other child support order*].

Based on the information from the hearing, this court finds:

1. This order applies to: [*Name and date of birth of the child*].

2. The parent paying makes the following income: [*explain the information the court is relying on to make this order, such as testimony from the parents or other people, tax returns, pay stubs, other documents*].

3. Describe how the parents or guardians are sharing custody of the child, i.e. how much time with each adult.

4. Who will pay child support.

5. Who will receive child support.

6. How much support will be paid.

7. How can support be paid. Cash? Food? Cutting wood?

8. How often must support be paid.

9. When will the order go into effect.

10. How the parents can appeal the court’s decision.

*Example*: “Based on the testimony of the parents at the hearing in front of Judge Fair on January 1, 2011, evidence that Mr. Father earns $500 per month working part-time at the store, and evidence that the child lives with his mother during the school year, and with the father during summer, it is ordered that Mr. Father shall pay support for his child, Son (d.o.b. 1/1/09), to Ms. Mother in the amount of $50 per month, on the first of the month, every September - June, beginning on September 1, 2011. If either party wants to appeal this order, they must write a letter to the tribal council within 30 days.”

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Judge’s signature