



2023 Annual Convention Grand Mound, Washington

RESOLUTION #2023 – 58

“SUPPORT FOR UNITED NATIONAL INDIAN TRIBAL YOUTH (UNITY) 2024”

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants rights secured under Indian Treaties, Executive Orders and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and constitution of the United States and several states, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise promote the welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) are representatives of and advocates for national, regional, and specific tribal concerns; and

WHEREAS, ATNI is a regional organization comprised of American Indians/Alaska Natives and tribes in the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Nevada, Northern California, and Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity, and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of ATNI; and

WHEREAS, the United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY) mission is to foster the spiritual, mental, physical and social development of American Indian and Alaska Native youth, and to help build a strong, unified, and self-reliant Native America through involvement of its youth; and

WHEREAS, UNITY will hold its mid-year conference in Phoenix, Arizona in February 2-4, 2024 and its National Conference in Portland, Oregon from June 29 to July 3, 2024; and

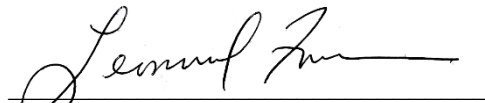
WHEREAS, UNITY cannot complete its mission without the support of our American Indian/Alaska Native organizations and is appreciative of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians and the support of their youth and participation in the annual UNITY conferences; and

WHEREAS, Northwest Tribes and communities have historically worked together to collaborate and develop cooperative strategies to improve the overall education and youth-oriented goals of our Indian communities; now

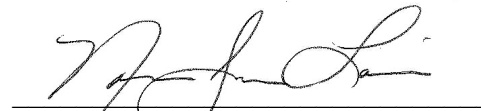
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ATNI does hereby agree to support the efforts of UNITY, its Local Planning Committee and encourages Member Tribes to attend, participate, offer support and sponsorship of UNITY’s Mid-year and National Conferences

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2023 Annual Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, Great Wolf Lodge, Grand Mound, Washington on September 18 - 21, 2023, with a quorum approving.



Leonard Forsman, President



Norma Jean Louie, Secretary