

## 2011 Winter Conference North Bend, Oregon

RESOLUTION #11 - 05

## "Support the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) 2011 Legislative Plan for the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress"

## 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 to 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 the ATNI; and

**WHEREAS,** the NPAIHB has proposed a legislative plan which identifies key issues facing Indian health programs in 2011; and

WHEREAS, the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress will take up consideration of the issues identified in the 2011 Legislative Plan which is used by Northwest Tribal leaders in advocacy work on Indian health issues; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ATNI supports and adopts the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board 2011 Legislative Plan and directs staff to assist tribal leaders and delegates in their lobbying efforts to implement the plan.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2011 Winter Conference of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at The Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park, North Bend, Oregon on January 30 – February 3, 2011 with a quorum present.

Brian Cladoosby, Pr

Norma Jean Louie, Secretary