2012 Annual Convention
Pendleton, Oregon

RESOLUTION #12 - 43

"SUPPORT PARTNERSHIP WITH NATIVE YOUTH LEADERSHIP ALLIANCE"

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 Native Youth Leadership Alliance is a leadership capacity and intertribal network building organization growing in the Northwest among young tribal leaders; and

WHEREAS, future generations are critical to our sovereignty and continuance as Indian Nations; and

WHEREAS, intergenerational relationships collectively strengthen our vision and contribute to our Tribal community wellness; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ATNI does hereby commit to a partnership with the Native Youth Leadership Alliance to support the capacity building of young adult leaders in our Tribal communities and to support the development of ATNI.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2012 Annual Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at Wildhorse Resort and Casino, Pendleton, Oregon on September 24 – 27, 2012 with a quorum present.

Fawn Sharp, President

Norma Jean Louie, Secretary