



## **2013 Mid-Year Convention Airway Heights, Washington**

### **RESOLUTION #13 – 37**

### **"SUPPORT SDPI RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FY2014"**

#### **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 Balanced Budget Act of 1997 established the Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) and provided \$150 million over 5 years for “the prevention and treatment of diabetes in American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN); and

**WHEREAS**, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 has extended the SPDI for an additional year through FY 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the Indian Health Service (IHS) will be conducting a tribal consultation to provide the IHS Director with recommendations on the distribution of the FY 2014 funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) provided the IHS Director with a letter on February 21, 2011 (see attached letter) that provided recommendations on the allocation of the FY 2012 and FY 2013 SDPI funds; and

**WHEREAS**, given the short time frame to conduct consultation and the need to allocate the new FY 2014 funds prior to the start of October 1, 2013 fiscal year, NPAIHB recommends resubmitting the same recommendations on the distribution of the new funding provided by Congress; now

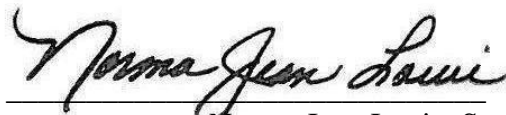
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that ATNI does hereby endorse and support the recommendations provided by NPAIHB on February 11, 2011, for the distribution of the new FY 2014 SDPI funds.

**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2013 Mid-Year Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at Northern Quest Resort Casino, Airway Heights, Washington on May 13 – 16, 2013 with a quorum present.



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Favi Sharp, President



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Norma Jean Louie, Secretary