



2014 Mid-Year Convention Grand Mound, WA

RESOLUTION #14 - 36

“TRANSIT REAUTHORIZATION”

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 federal transportation authorization for transit will expire September 30, 2014; and

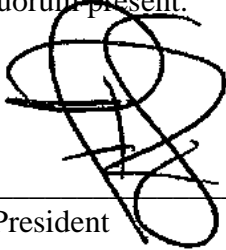
WHEREAS, ATNI tribes have almost universally received less funding for tribal transit due to MAP-21 converting the program from a competitive program to a formula program; and

WHEREAS, at their annual convention in 2013 at Coeur d'Alene, ATNI directed the Transportation Committee to produce a position paper on MAP-21 Reauthorization; now

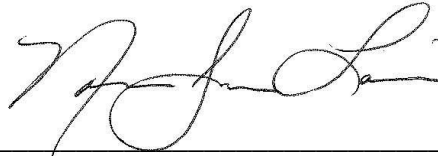
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ATNI does hereby adopt the position paper, on Transit, as presented by the Transportation Committee.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2014 Mid-Year Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at Great Wolf Lodge, Grand Mound, Washington, on May 5 – 8, 2014 with a quorum present.



Fawn Sharp, President



Norma Jean Louie, Secretary