



## **2015 Winter Convention Lincoln City, Oregon**

### **RESOLUTION #15 - 04**

#### **"SUPPORT THE NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD 2015 LEGISLATIVE PLAN & PRIORITIES FOR THE 114<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 Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) has proposed their 2015 Legislative Plan & Priorities which identifies key issues facing Indian health programs in 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress will take up consideration of many of the issues identified in the NPAIHB 2015 Legislative and Regulatory Priorities plan and the plan will be used by Northwest Tribal leaders in advocacy work on Indian health issues; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians supports and adopts the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board 2015 Legislative Plan & Priorities to assist tribal leaders and delegates in their lobbying efforts to implement the plan.

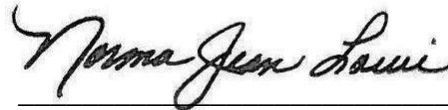
**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2015 Winter Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at the Chinook Winds Casino Resort, Lincoln City, Oregon on February 2-5, 2015, with a quorum present.



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Fawn Sharp, President



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Norma Jean Louie, Secretary