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

#### **RESOLUTION #15 - 11**

#### **“ALTERNATIVE CLEAN TRANSPORTATION FUELS STUDY NEEDS - REQUEST OF DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY”**

#### **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**, ATNI has directed the Transportation Committee to establish an alternative fuels consortium with the goal of making Liquefied Natural Gas and Compressed Natural Gas (LNG/CNG) available to Northwest Tribes; and

**WHEREAS**, after further discussion by the Transportation Committee, it has determined that the needs of the various ATNI Member Tribes are diverse and a study is needed to assist ATNI Member Tribes in determining the best use and access to alternative fuels; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians do hereby authorize the Transportation Committee to secure a grant from the Department of Energy or other similar funding source to produce a clean fuels implementation and deployment study and model program for Northwest Tribes.

**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