



2015 Winter Convention Lincoln City, Oregon

RESOLUTION #15 - 12

“ATNI REPRESENTS NORTHWEST TRIBES TRANSPORTATION CONCERNS”

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 Transportation Committee works together on common concerns that affect Northwest Tribes; and

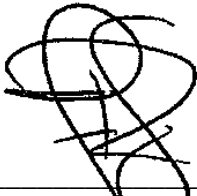
WHEREAS, the Intertribal Transportation Association (ITA) currently has no representation for the BIA Northwest Region as required in the ITA Charter and Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the ATNI Transportation Committee shall bring forward the Northwest Tribal Transportation position to NCAI to ensure inclusion to Transportation discussions; now

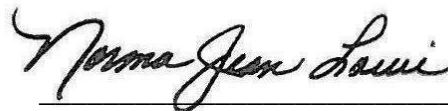
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in the absence of representation to the BIA Northwest region at ITA, the Affiliated Tribes of the Northwest Indians call upon NCAI to recognize ATNI as the primary representative voice of the ATNI Member Tribes Transportation positions.

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, OR on February 2-5, 2015, with a quorum present.



Fawn Sharp, President



Norma Jean Louie, Secretary