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RESOLUTION #03-03-06

**Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board Support of
Spokane Tribal Resolution #2003-295**

WHEREAS, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) is a tribal organization under P.L. 93-638 that represents forty-three Federally-recognized Indian tribes in Oregon, Washington and Idaho and is dedicated to assisting and promoting the health needs and concerns of Indian people in the Northwest; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board is dedicated to assisting and promoting the health needs and concerns of Indian people; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board is to improve the health and quality of life of its member tribes; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane Tribe has passed a Tribal Resolution on the negative effects of 50-years of Uranium mining on their Tribe that has resulted in uranium mill workers and their family members contracting cancer, lupus, thyroid disease, leukemia and other chronic disease that in many cases resulted in death; and

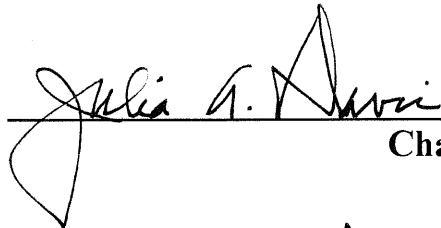
WHEREAS, the Spokane Tribe has requested that the NPAIHB carry their resolution to the National Indian Health Board (NIHB) in an effort to ensure that the Indian Health Service funds and supports the Northwest tribe's human and health needs in regard to nuclear/uranium contamination.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board supports the Spokane Tribe in their Tribal Resolution No. 2003-295 and will carry the resolution forward to the NIHB and provide to appropriate officials at the Indian Health Service and other federal agencies that have responsibility for the health effects resulting from nuclear/uranium contamination.

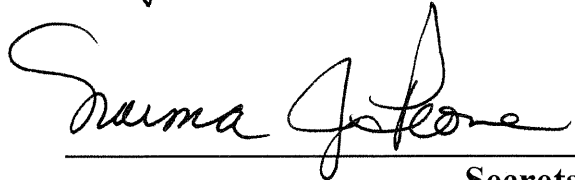
CERTIFICATION

NO. 03-03-06

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being present and voting; 28 for, 0 against, 0 abstain on April 17, ~~2002~~2003



Chairman



Secretary

April 17, 2003
Date

BOB BRISBOIS, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
SPOKANE TRIBE OF INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL
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April 15, 2003

Delegates of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board,
Quarterly meeting, April, Yakima WA, 2003

Dear Delegates:

You have heard the resolutions presented by the Tribal Health Board and the Tribal Council. I am asking you to put a motion on the floor and I am asking for your support in the form of a resolution from the Board supporting the Spokane Tribe of Indians.

Today, we Spokanes are faced with contamination from decades of uranium mining. Our land, water, beaches, wildlife - plant and animal and most important-our bodies are continuously being subject to these contaminants.

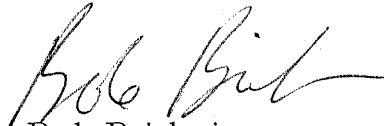
It is disheartening to continuously, almost weekly gather at the Longhouse and bid fair well to another of our fallen miners and or a miners family member. It seems to be unnatural that we would have so many leaving us because of cancers. It seems unnatural we should experience high rates of thyroid disease, lupus, arthritis and leukemia.

The Environmental Protection Agency has declared one mine site a "Superfund Site". Regrettably, there are no funds to address the contamination. As the Board meets, the contaminants are leaching into our natural systems. It is continuous and it is dangerous.

Please join the Spokane Tribe and support our quest to obtain funding from the Indian Health Service. Funding desperately needed to provide adequate training and equipment for assessment, diagnoses and treatment of uranium/nuclear contamination.

Thank you for your time and interest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bob Brisbois".

Bob Brisbois
Spokane Tribal Council,
Secretary
Delegate NPAIHB