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RESOLUTION #05-02-02

**Support for the distribution of funding for Public Health Emergency
Preparedness via the Washington State Department of Health
to the Tribes using existing funding formula**

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, adequate local public health capacity at the tribal level is critical to protect both the American Indian and Alaska Natives and the general population; and

WHEREAS, concerns about bioterrorism and the emergence of new epidemics have heightened public awareness of the critical role that local public health agencies play in ensuring community safety; and

WHEREAS, continued access to emergency preparedness resources would help tribes successfully prepare for and respond to public health crises and build the capacity of tribes to meet their public health needs; and

WHEREAS, because of the importance of tribal involvement in statewide and regional emergency preparedness activities, the Washington State Department of Health has set aside \$801,800 of its federal funding from the Health Resources and Services Administration and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention grants to facilitate tribal public health emergency preparedness through the purchase of needed training and equipment and the participation in regional and local planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Health is set to distribute \$650,300 in FY 2004 resources using the 70/30 funding formula to federally recognized tribes and \$151,500 to tribal clinics using the 50/50 formula, consistent with the FY 2003 distribution methodology.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board supports the use of previously agreed upon distribution formulas for the emergency preparedness and bioterrorism funding from CDC and HRSA to the tribes in Washington for capacity development and training.

CERTIFICATION

NO. 05-02-02

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being present and voting; 25 for, 2 against, 0 abstain on January 20th, 2005.

Ree Capraiman-Baker
Chairman

January 20, 2005
Date

Stella M. Washington
Secretary