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**RESOLUTION # 06-04-07**  
**Support for Application to American Legacy Foundation Funding for  
National Tribal Tobacco Prevention Network**

**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

**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**, American Indian and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) have the highest smoking prevalence rates of all ethnic groups in the United States, and 40% of all American Indian/Alaska Native deaths can be attributed to commercial tobacco use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board has entered in to a 2-year cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to strengthen and sustain the National Tribal Tobacco Prevention Network to assist tribal communities plan, initiate, coordinate, and evaluate tobacco education and prevention activities in their communities, as well as promote and respect the ceremonial uses of traditional tobacco; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Tribal Tobacco Prevention Network has successfully planned, implemented, and evaluated its scope of work and objectives from 2001 to 2006, and additional resources from the American Legacy Foundation would augment the current project; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Tribal Tobacco Prevention Network has provided valuable, timely and culturally appropriate information and teaching materials especially for many tribal health advocates from Northwest Tribes in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho; and

**WHEREAS**, it is expected that the American Legacy Foundation will have funding available in October 2006 help facilitate the reduction of commercial tobacco use in AI/AN communities in the areas of tobacco cessation, prevention, and policy development,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that NPAIHB supports the National Tribal Tobacco Prevention Network to submit a proposal to American Legacy Foundation for strengthening and expanding the National Tribal Tobacco Prevention Network.

CERTIFICATION

NO. 06-04-07

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; 28 for, 0 against, 0 abstain on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Linda Hill  
Chairman

7/20/2006  
Date

Stella M. Washines  
Secretary