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**Resolution No.: 12-01-02
Portland Area Office Assumption**

WHEREAS, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (hereinafter "NPAIHB" or the "Board") was established in 1972 to assist Tribal governments to improve the health status and quality of life of Indian people; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board is a "tribal organization" as defined by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638 seq. et al) that represents forty-three federally recognized tribes in the states of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the definitions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act at 25 USCS § 450b, a tribal organization is recognized as a governing body of any Indian tribe and includes any legally established organization of Indians which is controlled, sanctioned, or chartered by such governing body or which is democratically elected by the adult members of the Indian community to be served by such organization and which includes the maximum participation of Indians in all phases of its activities; 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 NPAIHB is to improve the health and quality of life of its member Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the NPAIHB 2010-2015 Strategic Plan identifies priorities for the organization over a five year period and included an objective for NPAIHB to evaluate the feasibility of assuming certain Portland Area Office programs, functions, services, or activities that would be more beneficial to Portland Area Tribes to carry out under the auspices of the Board; and

WHEREAS, if the identified programs and services are determined to be viable to be provided by the Board, then the member Tribes of the Portland Area support the Board to carry out such services under the Board's existing Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638) agreement negotiated with the Portland Area Office.

WHEREAS, the first step in this process shall be to work with the Portland Area Office to identify those PFSAs that would be appropriate for the Board to assume under its existing programs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Portland Area Tribes that comprise the Board recommend that the Portland Area Director and the NPAIHB Executive Director collaborate on an effort to identify programs or services that would be appropriate for the Board to carry out.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board direct the Executive Director and staff to develop a report for tribal leaders and Board delegates outlining the legal and budgetary issues associated with assuming the programs and activities identified above.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board respectfully requests that the Portland Area Director and the Executive Director present the findings of this process at the June 2012 Quarterly Board Meeting.

CERTIFICATION

NO. 12-01-02

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; 26 for, 0 against, 0 abstain on October 20, 2011.

Arden C. Joseph Jr.
Chairman

10.20.11
Date

Paucinda Wilfong
Secretary