**RESOLUTION # 18-03-04**

**NPAIHB support of OHSU’s Prevention Research Center**

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

**WHEREAS,** the NPAIHB is a "tribal organization" as defined by the Indian Self­ Determination and Education Assistance Act (P.L. 93-638) 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 USC § 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 NPAIHB 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,** health promotion and disease prevention is one of the four main functional areas of the NPAIHB Strategic Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** the Oregon Health & Science University Prevention Research Center has had a long-standing partnership with NPAIHB and shares in its goals;

**WHEREAS,** the OHSU Prevention Research Center, in partnership with NPAIHB, has a new opportunity to seek federal funding for community-based chronic disease prevention efforts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the NPAIHB supports the OHSU Prevention Research Center’s efforts to address chronic disease prevention among tribal people in the Northwest and endorses the Center’s application for federal funding to continue its work in chronic disease prevention in our tribes.