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RESOLUTION #: 17-01-01

Supporting Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and Opposition to Dakota Access Pipeline

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 NPAIHB 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 NPAIHB is dedicated to assisting and promoting the health needs and concerns of Indian people; and

WHEREAS, the prevention of harm to the health and well-being of Indian people is an essential aspect of the purpose of the NPAIHB; and

WHEREAS, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe has been engaged in a legal battle to stop the Dakota Access Pipeline from impacting it's cultural, water, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota Access Pipeline is a 1,168-mile long crude oil pipeline that will transport nearly 570,000 barrels of oil each day from North Dakota to Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Army Corps of Engineers has not carefully analyzed the impact of an oil spill on the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe or fully satisfied the National Historic Preservation Act, various environmental statutes, and its trust responsibility to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the current proposed pipeline route crosses under Lake Oahe, just a half mile up from the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the NPAIHB has determined that it supports the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and other tribes in their opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NPAIHB supports the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and opposes the Dakota Access Pipeline;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NPAIHB encourages its member Tribes and Indian Tribes and Nations nationally to stand united against the Dakota Access Pipeline.

CERTIFICATION

NO. 17-01-01

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the regular session of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; 3 for, 0 against, 0 abstain on September 21, 2016.

Andrew C. Joseph Jr.

Chairman

September 21, 2016
Date

Gregory J. Anderson
Secretary