



RESOLUTION NO.: 17-03-04

NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

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Chehalis Tribe
Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Confederated Tribes of Colville
Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower
Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
Confederated Tribes of Umatilla
Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs
Coquille Tribe
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Klamath Tribe
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Muckleshoot Tribe
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Nooksack Tribe
NW Band of Shoshone Nation
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
Puyallup Tribe
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Samish Indian Nation
Sauk-Suiattle Tribe
Shoalwater Bay Tribe
Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
Skokomish Tribe
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A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NOMINATION OF DR. CHARLES W. GRIM FOR DIRECTOR OF THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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 Director of the Indian Health Service (IHS) is a key role for American Indians/Alaska Natives (AI/AN) in the federal government, and responsible for executing the IHS mission of raising the health status of AI/AN to the highest possible level; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles W. Grim, a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, has served exemplary as IHS Director from 2002-2007, and has extensive experience with operation of large health systems, not only for IHS but also at the Tribal level; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Grim is a retired Assistant Surgeon General and Rear Admiral (upper half) in the Commissioned Corps of the United States Public Health Services (USPHS); and

WHEREAS, the IHS and Tribal governments will greatly benefit from the demonstrated leadership skills of Dr. Grim for Indian health.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board hereby supports nomination of Dr. Charles W. Grim for Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

CERTIFICATION

NO. 17-03-04

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 April 7, 2017.

Andrew C. Joseph Jr.

Chairman

April 7, 2017
Date

Luz J. Abraham

Secretary •