

Member Tribes of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board:

Burns Paiute Tribe Chehalis Tribe Coeur d'Alene Tribe Colville Tribe Coos, Siuslaw & Lower Umpqua Tribe Coquille Tribe Cow Creek Tribe Cowlitz Tribe Grand Ronde Tribe Hoh Tribe Klamath Tribe Kootenai Tribe Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Makah Tribe Muckleshoot Tribe Nez Perce Tribe **Nisqually Tribe** Nooksack Tribe NW Band of Tribe Puyallup Tribe Quileute Tribe Quinault Tribe Sauk-Suiattle Tribe Shoalwater Bay Tribe Shoshone-Bannock Siletz Tribe Skokomish Tribe **Snoqualmie Tribe** Stillaguamish Tribe Suguamish Tribe Tulalip Tribe

Umatilla Tribe Upper Skagit Tribe Warm Springs Tribe Yakama Nation

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RESOLUTION # 21-03-02

NW TRIBAL FOOD SOVEREIGNTY COALITION (NTFSC) and Food Sovereignty Initiatives Project 2021 RFA- NATIVE AMERICAN AGRICULTURE FUND (NAAF) SETTLEMENT FUNDING: KEEPSEAGLE v. VILSACK LITIGATION

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, NAAF is seeking proposals under the non-profit section of this RFA, a key focus area. NAAF seeks to augment existing work being done by others; leverage other food sovereignty or traditional foods investments already underway; and provide communities with additional resources to take next steps in their activities. These areas have been determined important, and of high interest among NW Tribal Food Sovereignty Coalition Members. These areas are also considered foundational concerns important to the underpinning of strong and sustainable food systems in Indian Country; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Tribal Food Sovereignty Coalition, and the Food Sovereignty Initiatives Project have been successful in securing funds from NAAF for the past two years, and look to expand and strengthen business assistance and technical support to NW native food producers; and to strengthen and support the local, regional, and intertribal food system to better respond to, and prepare for, food security needs in our region in consultation with nutritional professionals;

WHEREAS, the goals of this initiative are consistent with the goals and objectives of both the NPAIHB and the *NW Tribal EpiCenter*; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board endorses and supports efforts by staff of the *EpiCenter*, under the guidance of the Executive Director, to pursue funding through the *2021 NATIVE AMERICAN AGRICULTURE FUND* (*NAAF*) - *SETTLEMENT KEEPSEAGLE v. VILSACK LITIGATION* funding opportunity.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors at the April Quarterly Board Meeting, held virtually April 20, 2021 – April 22, 2021, with a quorum present.

Nickolaus D. Lewis Chair, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board Councilman, Lummi Indian Business Council

ATTEST:

Greg Abrahamson, NPAIHB Secretary