National Indian Health Board
Resolution 11 – 05

Support for the Establishment of a Standing Tribal Public Health Advisory and Technical Committee

WHEREAS, the National Indian Health Board (NIHB), established in 1972, serves all Federally recognized American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Tribal governments by advocating for the improvement of health care delivery to AI/ANs and for the fulfillment of the Federal government’s trust responsibility to AI/AN Tribal governments;

WHEREAS, the NIHB is duly elected to serve the sovereign rights of all Federally recognized Tribal governments, to promote the highest levels of health for AI/AN people, and to advise the Federal government in the development of responsible health care policy; and

WHEREAS, the NIHB By-laws, Article XVI, Section 4, provide that the Board may “create committees and delegate authority to them.”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NIHB supports the establishment of a Tribal Public Health Advisory and Technical Committee (TPHATC);

BE IT RESOLVED, the TPHATC may consider and advise NIHB on public health issues;

BE IT RESOLVED, that any AI/AN Tribal government or Tribal organization can participate in TPHATC teleconferences and meeting at their own expense;

BE IT RESOLVED, that any AI/AN Tribal government or Tribal organization can make contributions to the NIHB for a special fund that will specifically support the activities of the TPHATC; and
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that NIHB will support the TPHATC by providing a facilitator for meetings and teleconferences, arranging teleconferences, providing meeting space, distributing action alerts from the TPHATC to Tribal leaders, including reports for the TPHATC in the NIHB on-going communications with elected AI/AN Tribal officials, and posting information about the TPHATC on the NIHB website.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board, with quorum present, on the 25th day of September, 2011.

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Chairperson, Cathy Abramson

ATTEST:

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Secretary, H. Sally Smith