National Indian Health Board



## 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  $25^{th}$  day of September, 2011.

Chairperson, Cathy Abramson

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ATTEST:

Secretary, H. Sally Smith

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