

NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA INDIAN HEALTH BOARD

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## **RESOLUTION # 21-01-01**

## NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIAN'S NATIVE VOTE GRANT

**WHEREAS,** the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (herein after "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 primary goal of the NPAIHB is to improve the health and quality of life of its member Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** the participation of American Indian and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) in tribal, federal, state, and local elections has a direct impact on tribal communities and the health and well-being of AI/AN people; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) is committed to American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) exercising their right to vote in all elections through nonpartisan activities and education and relies on tribal nations, partner organizations, and tribal citizens to become actively engaged in getting out the vote; and

**WHEREAS,** NCAI is offering Community Mini Grants for projects in support of its non-partisan Native Vote initiative for the 2020 election cycle.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) endorses and supports grant submission, under the guidance of the Executive Director, to the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) in the amount of \$2,000 to fund non-partisan Native Vote activities promoting voter registration, providing information on how to vote, and turning out American Indian/Alaska Native voters in the Northwest.

## **CERTIFICATION**

NO. 21-01-01

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted at the Virtual October 20-21, 2020 Quarterly Board Meeting of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. A quorum being established; <u>26</u> for, <u>0</u> against, <u>0</u> abstain on October 21, 2020.

Chairman

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Secretary

October 21, 2020 Date