



## **2015 Winter Convention Lincoln City, Oregon**

### **RESOLUTION #15 - 10**

#### **“TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM COORDINATING COMMITTEE EFFECTIVENESS”**

#### **PREAMBLE**

We, the members of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants rights secured under Indian Treaties, Executive Orders, and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and constitution of the United States and several states, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise to promote the welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) are representatives of and advocates for national, regional, and specific tribal concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, ATNI is a regional organization comprised of American Indians/Alaska Natives and tribes in the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Nevada, Northern California, and Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity, and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of the ATNI; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Transportation Program Coordinating Committee (TTPCC) was established by Congress for the purpose of advising the Departments of Transportation and Interior regarding policies and procedures relating to tribal transportation; and

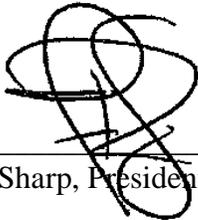
**WHEREAS**, the committee is not complying with their reporting requirements and the federal representatives have not ensured that Northwest representatives have attended regional meetings to report on the activity of the committee; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that ATNI does hereby request the Secretaries of Interior and Transportation ensure that regular and meaningful communication from the TTPCC take place and require Northwest representatives regularly attend regional meetings to report on the activity of the committee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians urge the Secretaries of Interior and Transportation to allow the Tribes in the Northwest Region to select our representatives to the committee.

**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2015 Winter Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at the Chinook Winds Casino Resort, Lincoln City, Oregon on February 2-5, 2015, with a quorum present.



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Fawn Sharp, President



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Norma Jean Louie, Secretary