



NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

The National Congress of American Indians Resolution #PSP-09-066

TITLE: Small Business Administration/Redwind Group Tribal Assessment Tool

WHEREAS, we, the members of the National Congress of American 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 the inherent sovereign rights of our Indian nations, rights secured under Indian treaties and agreements with the United States, and all other rights and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and Constitution of the United States, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise promote the health, safety and welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution; and

WHEREAS, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) was established in 1944 and is the oldest and largest national organization of American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments; and

WHEREAS, the US Small Business Administration (SBA) has contracted with the Redwind Group for creation of a Tribal Assessment Tool for Economic and Community Development; and

WHEREAS, the Redwind Group reports that the SBA seeks to divest itself of the tool.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NCAI does hereby recommend that for the sake of consistency, the SBA consider delivery of the assessment tool through out Indian Country Economic Development Corporations/Programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SBA be encouraged to continue to support maintenance and refinement of the model directly or through a Central provider; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the policy of NCAI until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

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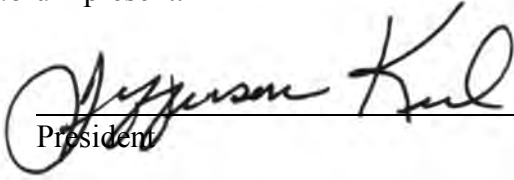
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CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the General Assembly at the 2009 Annual Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held at the Palm Springs Convention Center in Palm Springs, California on October 11-16, 2009, with a quorum present.



President

ATTEST:



Recording Secretary