



NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

The National Congress of American Indians Resolution #FTL-04-011

TITLE: Executive Order 13336 American Indian and Alaska Native Education Amendments

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 National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) was involved as a Task Force member in President Clinton's Executive Order 13096 of August 6, 1998 on American Indian and Alaska Native Education.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NCAI does hereby request President George W. Bush in good faith and with the commitment to improving quality of life for members of the Indian Nations, include NCAI and the National Indian Education Association to be added to Executive Order 13336 of April 30, 2004 on American Indian and Alaska Native Education in Section 2. The Interagency Working Group; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the NCAI is requesting President George W. Bush to amend Executive Order 13336 of April 30, 2004 on American Indian and Alaska Native Education in Section 9. General Provisions and strike the words "trust responsibility" from this section; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the NCAI knows your Administration is committed to continuing to work with our federally recognized Tribal governments on a government-to-government basis and will respect and support our Tribal sovereignty and self-determination.

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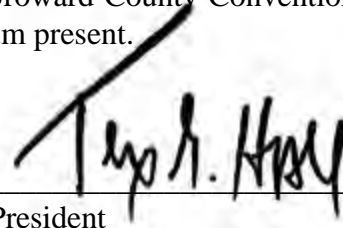
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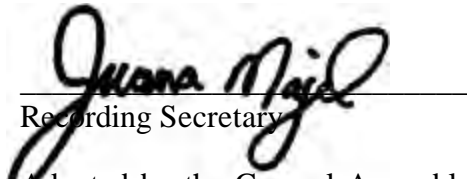
CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 61st Annual Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held at the Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center, Fort Lauderdale, Florida on October 10-15, 2004 with a quorum present.



President

ATTEST:



Recording Secretary

Adopted by the General Assembly during the 61st Annual Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held from October 10th to the 15th at the Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.