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NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

The National Congress of American Indians Resolution #PSP-09-003

TITLE: Rescission of Resolution #NGF-09-005 Regarding Proposed Mining in Alaska

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, at the Mid-Year Meeting of NCAI in Niagara Falls, New York the general assembly passed Resolution #NGF-009-005 regarding certain proposed mining activities within the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, it is now clear that the proposed mining activities within Alaska are the subject of disagreement among the Alaska Native community; and

WHEREAS, it is NCAI policy that resolutions that take one side between two conflicting Tribes are not in order.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that NCAI does hereby rescind, withdraw, and revoke NCAI Resolution #NGF-09-005; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the policy of NCAI until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

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.

ATTEST:

Recording Secretary