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The National Congress of American Indians Resolution #SAC-06-095C

TITLE: To rescind Resolution TUL-05-084, entitled, "The 'Warriors Medal of Valor' and Award Certificate"

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, Resolution TUL-05-084, entitled, "The 'Warriors Medal of Valor' and Award Certificate" was submitted to NCAI for consideration of the Veterans Committee and was endorsed by the NCAI; and

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that "The Warriors Medal of Valor and Award Certificate" is a commercial venture that was misrepresented to the Veterans Committee; and

WHEREAS, the "Warriors Medal of Valor" benefits only the individual who submitted the resolution for approval by the Veterans Committee for the endorsement of the NCAI; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans Committee is extremely cautious regarding issues that have significance to all veterans and wishes to maintain its integrity and that of NCAI; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans Committee would also ask the NCAI to inform the individual who authored the Resolution TUL-05-084 that official endorsement of the resolution has been rescinded.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NCAI does hereby rescind Resolution TUL-05-084, entitled, "The Warriors Medal of Valor," a commercial venture misrepresented to the Veterans Committee as an honorable manner of recognizing American Indian veterans; 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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the policy of NCAI until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.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 2006 63rd Annual Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held at the Sacramento Convention Center in Sacramento, California on October 1-6, 2006, with a quorum present.

ATTEST:

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