



Qagan Tayagungin Tribe
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RESOLUTION 13-15

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SERIOUS PROBLEM OF ILLEGAL DRUGS COMING INTO OUR COMMUNITY AND OTHER COMMUNITIES IN THE REGION AND AROUND THE STATE, RESOLVING TO WORK WITH ALL PARTIES TO BREAK THE FLOW OF ILLEGAL DRUGS AND URGING THE STATE OF ALASKA TO INCREASE EFFORTS TO STOP DRUG TRAFFICKING.

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point is a sovereign federally recognized tribe with government status with the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribal Council is the governing body of the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point; and

WHEREAS, the illegal transport, distribution, sale and use of controlled substance, i.e. illegal drugs has begun to permeate many communities throughout Alaska; and

WHEREAS, nearly every resident in the community of Sand Point, and Aleutians East Borough, has been affected by this problem or knows someone who has been affected by this recent proliferation of drugs; and

WHEREAS, some of the drugs on the rise and becoming almost common place in our community are black tar heroin, methamphetamine, and illegal prescription drugs; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Constitutional right to privacy sometimes impedes the ability of police enforcement to use monitoring techniques to screen for substances coming into our community; and

WHEREAS, a grassroots effort has begun in our community recognizing this problem to work towards action items to reclaim our community from drug dealers, and the social ills associated with drug abuse, and restore the community to wellness; and

WHEREAS, this grassroots effort has become known as Reclaim Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Federation of Natives passed Resolution 13-24 urging the State of Alaska to enhance prevention and enforcement of efforts of dangerous drugs in rural Alaska, and

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough passed Resolution 14-10 resolving to work towards breaking the flow of illegal drugs, and urging the State of Alaska to increase efforts to stop drug trafficking.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point recognizes there is a serious problem of trafficking, sale and use of illegal drugs in our community and region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the recent passage of Alaska Federation of Natives Resolution 13-24 urging the State of Alaska to enhance prevention and enforcement of efforts of dangerous drugs in rural Alaska; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the recent passage of Aleutians East Borough Resolution 14-10 resolving to work towards breaking the flow of illegal drugs, and urging the State of Alaska to increase efforts to stop drug trafficking; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe resolves to work with willing partners, including other village councils and tribes, municipalities, the borough, air carriers and ocean transport companies, local and State police and the US Coast Guard, to fight the growing problem of illegal drugs in our communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Tribe hereby declares its intent to collaborate with Eastern Aleutian Tribes, the Aleutian Pribilof Island Association, the Aleutians East Borough, and the Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association to establish drug rehabilitation, transitional support after rehab, and enhance wellness within our community and region; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED the Tribe hereby supports the work of Reclaim Alaska, and resolves to participate in this group to restore our community, region, and State back to wellness.

CERTIFICATION:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED BY THE QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBE AT A MEETING HELD ON 26^m DAY OF November, 2013, BY A QUORUM OF 6 YES, AND 0 NO VOTES

ATTEST:



David O. Osterback, President



Glen Gardner Jr., Secretary/Treasurer