

**QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBE**

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**RESOLUTION 00-11**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE QAGAN TAYGUNGIN TRIBE OPPOSING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN "ALASKA NATIVE SUBSISTENCE COMMISSION" PROPOSED BY THE ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES.**

- WHEREAS, The Native Village of Sand Point is a sovereign federally recognized tribe with government to government status with the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribal Council is the governing body for the Native village of Sand Point, and
- WHEREAS, on August 31, 2000 the Alaska Federation of natives introduced a proposal to establish an "Alaska Native Subsistence Commission" for the purpose of coordinating political, administrative, legal and technical activities by members of the Alaska native community, including all of Alaska's Tribes and tribal governments; and
- WHEREAS, AFN's proposed "Alaska Native Subsistence Commission" would be comprised of "Commissioners" appointed by the Alaska Federation of Natives, a non-Tribal organization; and
- WHEREAS, Non-Tribal organizations do not have the authority to make political appointments or to act on behalf of Alaska's Tribes and tribal governments; and
- WHEREAS, the establishment of an "Alaska Native Subsistence Commission" under the terms outlined by AFN in its proposal dated August 23, 2000 would create new challenges and set a negative legal precedent for challenges to the inherent sovereign authority and powers of not only Alaska's Tribes and tribal governments, it could also pose similar problems for other sovereign Tribes in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, for these and other reasons, the Executive Board of the Alaska Inter-Tribal council has voiced its opposition to the establishment by the Alaska Federation of Natives of an "Alaska Native Subsistence Commission" or the establishment of any similar entity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe opposes the establishment of the Alaska Native Subsistence Commission by the Alaska Federation of Natives, and

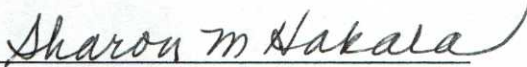
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribal Council calls upon the Alaska Federation of Natives to respect the position taken by the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council and its member tribes by withdrawing its proposal to create an "Alaska Native Subsistence Commission; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Qagan Tayagungin Tribal Council joins the Executive Board of the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council in calling upon the National congress of American Indians to join in opposition to the concept of an AFN-created "Alaska native Subsistence Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBAL COUNCIL THIS 5 DAY OF OCTOBER, 2000. VOTE: 6 in Favor; \_\_\_\_\_ opposed; \_\_\_\_\_ abstained.

ATTEST:

  
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President

  
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Secretary/ Treasurer