

## QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBE P.O. BOX 447 SAND POINT, ALASKA 99661 (907) 383-5616 Fax (907) 383-5814

## **RESOLUTION 11-10**

A RESOLUTION FOR THE QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBE PROTESTING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THE ALEUTIANS HOUSE AND SENATE DISTRICTS IN THE 2011 ALASKA REDISTRICTING PLAN.

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe 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 of the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe of Sand Point; and

WHEREAS, the current Alaska State House District 37 is comprised of communities of the Aleutian and Pribilof Islands and the Alaska Peninsula, including every Aleut community; and

WHEREAS, the Aleutian region is a special area encompassing communities of similar socio-economic integration and common cultural heritage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska redistricting Board in accordance with Article 6 of the Alaska State Constitution, and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, is charged with preparing a redistricting plan based on results from each decennial U.S. Census; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Redistricting Board held public meetings statewide to accept public comment on draft 2011 redistricting plans; and

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough Mayor Stanley Mack, an Alaska Native of Aleut heritage has stated, through testimony and correspondence to the Alaska Redistricting Board, the importance of keeping Borough communities and the current District 37 intact and within a common house district; and

WHEREAS, each plan released by the Alaska Redistricting Board prior to June 6, 2011, including the Draft plan of April 13, 2011, Board Option I, Board Option 2 and the Board Concept Plan of June 6, 2011, as well as all plans submitted to the Board in 2011 by other groups, kept the Alaska Peninsula and the Aleutian Pribilof Islands together; and

WHEREAS, the Final Redistricting Plan of 2011, adopted in draft form on June 7, 2011 and in final form on June 13, 2011; is radically different than all the previously published drafts; and

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WHEREAS, the Redistricting Board felt compelled by the Voting Rights Act to create five (5) 'native' districts in the Final State Redistricting Plan, which has drastic implications by splitting up the Aleutian & Pribilof Islands, Alaska Peninsula region; and

WHEREAS, the Plan divides the communities of the Aleutians region into separate House Districts 36 & 37, and separate Senate Districts R & S, where Akutan, Unalaska, Nikolski, Atka, Adak, St. Paul Island, St George Island would be part of Districts 37-S with Bethel; and

WHEREAS, other communities including King Cove, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, and Sand Point, would become part of District 36-R with the Lake and Peninsula Borough and also including communities as distant as Crooked Creek, Stony River, Tyonek and Beluga; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Qagan Tayagungin Tribe protests the Alaska Redistricting Board Plan of 2011 as having ignored the public process and as contrary to Article 6 Section 6 of the Alaska State Constitution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Redistricting Board, to the Governor of the State, and to our national and state Senators, House Representatives and Congressmen.

## CERTIFICATION:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS CONSIDERED AND DULY ADOPTED BY THE QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBE AT A MEETING HELD ON 8 DAY OF 10LY, 2011, BY A QUORUM OF 7 YES, AND 9 NO, AND 9 ABSTAINING.

ATTEST:

Dick Jacobsen, President

Edith I. Jacobsen, Secretary/Treasurer

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Marva J. Hatch, Executive Director

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The attached resolution was an urgent matter requiring immediate Tribal Council action whereby a special meeting of the Tribal Council was not possible and will be placed on the upcoming QTT Tribal Council Meeting agenda to ratify the action taken by the following Tribal Council Members.

<u>NAME</u>	(Check one box)				
	YES	N	О		
David O. Osterback	( × )		)		
Edith I. Jacobsen	(X)	(	)		
Dick Jacobsen	(X)	(	)		
Nellie Roehl	( x )	(	)		
Peter Devine, Jr.	(x)	(	)		
Rayette McGlashan	( X)	(	)		
Jason Bjornstad	(X)	. (	)		
Phone Poll taken by: Marva J. Hatch on	8th day of			July	
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