

QAGAN TAYAGUNGIN TRIBAL COUNCIL

Resolution No. 94-008

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin is the Alaska Native village traditionally organized recognized by the United States through the Secretary of Interior; and

WHEREAS, The Qagan Tayagungin Council is the governing body for the Sand Point natives; and

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Council long range goals specify the retention of the Eastern Aleut culture and traditions for the membership and descendants through education and preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Unungan language of the Eastern Aleuts is a distinct dialect which is unique in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin are in jeopardy of losing their distinctive Eastern Aleut dialect; and

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Council wants to respond to the need to take immediate action to assess current language capabilities among the Eastern Aleuts; and

WHEREAS, the Qagan Tayagungin Council wants to develop a long-range language plan to preserve and perpetuate the language of its people; and

WHEREAS, only minimal resources are available to the Qagan Tayagungin Council to pursue these goals; and

WHEREAS, the Administration for Native Americans is a source of support and financial assistance to Qagan Tayagungin Council to help us achieve our goals; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Qagan Tayagungin Tribal Council asks, by way of the proposal that is being submitted to the Administration for Native Americans, for federal assistance in achieving its goals to preserve and perpetuate the language of the people of the Eastern Aleutian Islands of Alaska.

PASSED and ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the Council this _____ day of June, 1994.

APPROVED BY: Edith J. Jacobs

ATTEST: Arthur M. Gardner