### **MAY 2010 SPECIAL SESSION**

### **CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE**

## **JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION NO. JAR 10-09**

JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ENTITLED:

# "IN SUPPORT OF THE STUDY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA ON THE CROW INDIAN RESERVATION AND REQUEST FOR ACTION FROM MONTANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION"

WHEREAS, the National Park Service has established a program setting aside funding and technical assistance for the establishment of National Heritage Areas; and

WHEREAS, a National Heritage Area is a place where natural, cultural, historic and scenic resources combine to form a cohesive, nationally important landscape arising from patterns of human activity shaped by geography and as such, a National Heritage Area represents the national experience through the physical features that remain and the traditions that have evolved in them; and

WHEREAS, the Crow Indian Reservation is an important area for economic, cultural, historical, and geological features, as it contains the site of the Battle of the Little Big Horn; the Yellowtail Dam and Lake; a portion of the Bozeman Trail; the site of Crow Fair, the Tepee Capital of the World; the blue-ribbon fishery of the Big Horn River; numerous additional sites of historic Native American battles; and other geographic features and sites of events of historical significance to the Crow Tribe, as well as the general public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Indian Reservation contains numerous significant historical sites of local and national importance and interest; and

WHEREAS, the Crow Indian Reservation contains numerous and outstanding opportunities for outdoor recreation and cultural education; and

**WHEREAS,** the interests of residents and citizens of the Crow Nation would be served by comprehensive management and interpretation of the various cultural and recreational resources within the boundaries of the Crow Indian Reservation; and

**WHEREAS**, the youth of the Crow Nation would be served by opportunities to learn about and take pride in their cultural heritage and their ancestors' history on the lands now encompassed by the Crow Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1984, National Heritage Areas were created by the United States Congress as a new way for a region, through collaboration and partnerships, to conserve and promote its natural, cultural, and historic resources; and

WHEREAS, National Heritage Areas provide a unique way to link the mutually supporting goals of resource conservation, tourism, economic development, and education; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a National Heritage Area will not require or impose any regulatory restrictions on private or tribal lands or property; nor will it impose any land use requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, a National Heritage Area is not managed by the National Park Service, involves no land acquisition or land management by the federal government, and local authority and private property are not affected;

WHEREAS, the first step to establishment of a National Heritage Area is a resolution of support, followed by a request for legislation from the Montana Congressional Delegation and commissioning of a study by the National Park Service on the feasibility of the area proposed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES that these branches of the Crow Tribal government support the commissioning of a study on the feasibility and suitability of designation of the Crow Indian Reservation as a National Heritage Area.

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Crow Tribal Executive Branch shall provide to the Crow Tribal Legislative Branch any and all substantial information and written correspondence specifically related to this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Crow Tribe requests that U.S. Senators Baucus and Tester and U.S. House Representative Rehberg work on draft legislation to establish a National Heritage Area encompassing the boundaries of the current Crow Indian Reservation.

# **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this Joint Action Re AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL INDIAN RESERVATION AND REQUEST CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION" was duly	Γ FOR ACTION FROM MONTANA			
a vote of <u>15</u> in favor, <u>0</u> opposed, and <u>0</u> ab	stained and that a quorum was present on this			
28 <sup>th</sup> day of May, 2010.				
	Speaker of the House Legislative Branch, Crow Tribe			
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Secretary of the House				
Legislative Branch, Crow Tribe				
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	(veto) this Joint Action Resolution "IN			
SUPPORT OF THE STUDY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL HERITAGE				
AREA ON THE CROW INDIAN RESERVATION AND REQUEST FOR ACTION				
FROM MONTANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION" pursuant to the Authority vested in the Chairman of the Cross Tribe by Article V. Section 8 of the Constitution and Pylovic of the				
in the Chairman of the Crow Tribe by Article V, Section 8 of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe of Indians.				
Dated this day of \ldw	, 2010.			

Cedric Black Eagle, Chairman Executive Branch, Crow Tribe

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Bill or Resolution: Number	JAR10-09 Intro		utive Branch & Date of Votes	May 28, 2010
Representative:	Yes	No	Abstained	
H. Two Leggins	:	<u> </u>		
V. Pretty Paint	X			
C. J. Stewart	X			
K. Shane	X	å		
S. Backbone	X	<del></del>		
O. Half, Jr.	X			
W. Plainfeather	X		a - 4	
R. Old Crow, Sr.	X			
M. Not Afraid	X		<u> </u>	
V. Crooked Arm		:		
L. DeCrane	X			
C. Goes Ahead	X			
B. Hugs	-			
G. Real Bird, Jr.	X			
M. Backbone	X		<u> </u>	
D. Wilson	X			
P. Alden, Jr. Secretary of the House	X			
M. Covers Up, Sr. Speaker of the House	X	_		
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Senator Manuel Covers Up, Sr. Speaker of the House		Date	Senator Pat Alden, Jr. Secretary of the House	Date