JANUARY 2014 CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE

JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION NO. JAR14-02

INTRODUCED BY DARRIN OLD COYOTE, CHAIRMAN CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH

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

"RESOLUTION REQUESTING AND APPROVING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TO MAKE A TRUST TRANSFER OF LAND IN CROW AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH ITS POLICY ON REVOCATION OF RESERVE STATUS FOR USE BY LITTLE BIG HORN COLLEGE FOR ITS EDUCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER."

WHEREAS, Little Big Horn College (the "College") plans to develop and construct an Educational and Technical Training Center ("ETTC") that would provide vocational training and education for Tribal members in order to support the Crow Tribe's energy and economic development initiatives, and to help ensure that employment of qualified Tribal members can be maximized through the existence of a large, skilled Tribal workforce; and

WHEREAS, the College has identified a tract of land adjacent to the existing College facilities that would be suitable for locating the ETTC, as described below and shown on the attached drawing [survey], which land is currently in "Agency Reserve" status under the administration of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has determined that the tract described below is eligible for transfer under its policies for the revocation of reserve status (restorations); and

WHEREAS, the College has requested the Crow Tribal Government to request the BIA to revoke the reserve status of the land in order to restore it to Tribal jurisdiction, and for the Tribe to dedicate the land for LBHC's future use for the ETTC;

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Executive Branch has the authority and responsibility pursuant to the "enumerated powers" in Article IV, Section 3(a) of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe to "represent the Crow Tribe of Indians in negotiations with Federal, State and local governments and other agencies, corporations, associations, or individuals in matters of welfare, education, recreation, social services, and economic development affecting the Crow Tribe of Indians," and in Section 3(f) to "negotiate and approve or prevent any sale, disposition, lease or encumbrance of Tribal lands, interests in lands or other Tribal assets, including buffalo, minerals, gas and oil with final approval granted by the Legislative Branch;" and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Branch has authority and responsibility pursuant to Article V, Section 2(d) of the Constitution "to grant final approval or disapproval of items negotiated by the Executive Branch of Government pertinent to the sale, disposition, lease or encumbrance of Tribal lands, interests in lands or mineral assets provided that a process for such approval or disapproval may be established by legislation;" and

WHEREAS, the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Crow Tribal Government strongly support the College's plans to develop the ETTC, which will help provide a competitive advantage for Tribal energy and economic development projects by making a skilled Tribal workforce available, while at the same time promoting jobs and economic opportunity for Tribal members on the Reservation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE AND THE CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH:

Section 1. That the Crow Tribal Legislative and Executive Branches of the Crow Tribal Government hereby request that the Bureau of Indian Affairs transfer the below-described tract to the Crow Tribe in trust pursuant to Government procedures for revocations of reserve status (restorations), as further depicted on the attached drawing [survey]:

[Legal description to be provided by LBHC/Northern Engineering/BIA]

Section 2. That the Executive Branch work with the BIA and/or GSA to negotiate, prepare and assemble all documents, agreements and information relating to the transfer, including but not limited to transfer documents, existing encumbrances and use agreements, if any, environmental site assessment, and all other information pertinent to the transfer, and present such final documents and information to the Legislature prior to acceptance of the property by the Tribe;

Section 3. That the final acceptance of the property by the Crow Tribe shall be conditioned upon and subject to final approval by the Legislature.

Section 4. That upon final acceptance of the property by the Crow Tribe, the property shall be dedicated to Little Big Horn College for locating its Educational and Technical Training Center.

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Joint Action Resolution for the "RESOLUTION REQUESTING AND APPROVING THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TO MAKE A TRUST TRANSFER OF LAND IN CROW AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH ITS POLICY ON REVOCATION OF RESERVE STATUS FOR USE BY LITTLE BIG HORN COLLEGE FOR ITS EDUCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER" was duly approved by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, and that a quorum was present on this 14th day of January, 2014.

Senator R. Knute Old Crow, Sr. Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Senator Gordon Real Bird, Jr.

Secretary

Crow Tribal Legislature

EXECUTIVE ACTION

I hereby

approve

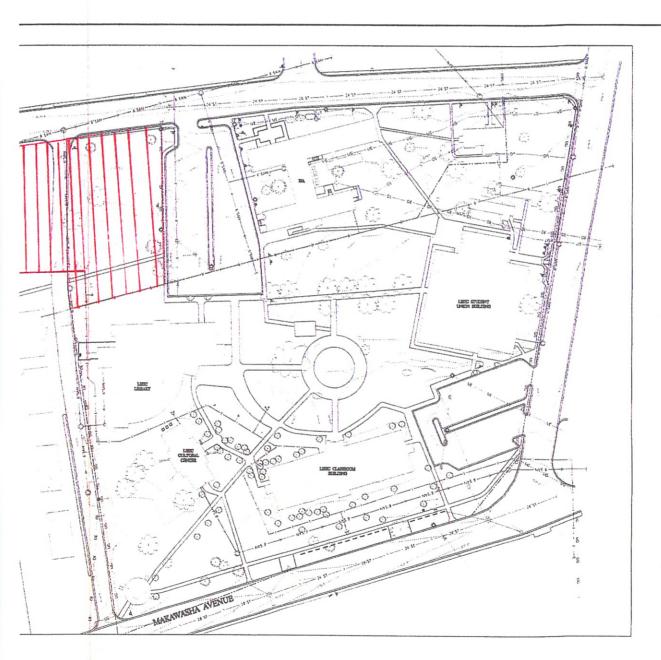
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> Darrin Old Coyote, Chairman Crow Tribal Executive Branch

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Bill or Resolution: JAR14-02 Introduced by: Chairman Darrin Old Coyote Date of Vote: 1/14/2014 Number

Representative:	Yes	No	Abstained	
G. Three Irons	X			
B. Rogers	X		_	
C. J. Stewart	X			
P. Hill	X			
E. Birdinground	X			
A.Coyote-Runs, Sr.		-		
(Vacant)				
T. Gros Ventre	X			
P. Alden, Jr.	X			
V. Crooked Arm	X			
P. Spotted Horse, Sr.	X			
L. DeCrane				
C. Goes Ahead	X			
B. Hugs				
B. Good Luck	X			
G. Stewart	X			
G. Real Bird, Jr. Secretary of the House	X		-	
R. K. Old Crow, Sr. Speaker of the House	X		-	
Totals:	14	0	0	
Result of Vote:	Passed	Not Passed	Tabled Veto-Override	
Senator R. Knute Old Speaker of the House	Crow, Sr.		Senator Gordon Real Bird, Jr Secretary of the House	Date



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