#### **APRIL 2014 CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE**

### **JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION NO. JAR14-08**

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:

## "FINAL APPROVAL OF THE OIL AND GAS LEASE BETWEEN THE CROW TRIBE OF INDIANS AND SUMMIT WEST OIL, LLC"

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Executive Branch has authority and responsibility pursuant to the "enumerated powers" in Article IV, Section 3(f) of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe of Indians 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 its "powers and duties" in 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"; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Executive Branch, with the delegated assistance of the Oil and Gas Committee has negotiated an Oil and Gas Lease Between the Crow Tribe of Indians and Summit West Oil, LLC (the "Lease"), for the exploration and production of oil and gas on the Tribally-owned mineral interests within an 80.0 acre tract in the Lodge Grass area, Allotment No. MT-1470C, within the Crow Reservation, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, exploration for and development of Tribal oil and gas resources is in the best interests of the Triba and Tribal members, and the Lease provides for such exploration and development on a fair, environmentally responsible, and commercially sound basis; and

**WHEREAS**, after approval by the Legislature and Executive Branches of the Crow Tribe, the Lease is subject to approval by the Secretary of the Interior or his designee, pursuant to the Indian Mineral Leasing Act of 1938 (25 U.S.C. § 396a, *et seq.*) and other applicable Federal law;

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE CROW TRIBE:

Section 1. That the "Oil and Gas Mining Lease – Trust Lands" between the Crow Tribe of Indians and Summit West Oil, LLC, attached hereto and incorporated by this

reference, is hereby granted final approval pursuant to Article V, Section 2(d) of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe.

Section 2. That the Chairman of the Executive Branch is authorized to sign and execute the above-referenced Lease on behalf of the Crow Tribe, and to take all such further actions on behalf of the Crow Tribe as are necessary to implement, administer and enforce the Lease.

Section 3. That the Executive Branch will comply with applicable Tribal law with respect to Tribal revenues generated by the Lease, and will keep the Legislature and/or its designated Committee(s) informed on a timely basis of formal notices issued pursuant to the Lease and other significant actions taken to administer the Lease, including but not limited to any proposed assignment, sublease or transfer; and all amendments to the Lease shall be subject to the further final approval of the Legislature.

Section 4. That the final approval granted herein is effective on the date of approval of this Resolution, and is subject only to such further approvals as are required by Federal law.

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#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this Joint Action Resolution "FINAL APPROVAL OF THE OIL AND GAS LEASE BETWEEN THE CROW TRIBE OF INDIANS AND SUMMIT WEST OIL, LLC" was duly approved by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of <u>13</u> in favor, <u>2</u> opposed, and <u>0</u> abstained and that a quorum was present on this <u>14<sup>th</sup></u> day of April, 2014.

Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Secretary, Crow Tribal Legislature

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#### **EXECUTIVE ACTION**

I hereby

approve,

this Joint Action Resolution for the "FINAL APPROVAL OF THE OIL AND GAS LEASE

BETWEEN THE CROW TRIBE OF INDIANS AND SUMMIT WEST OIL, LLC"

pursuant to the authority vested in the Chairman of the Crow Tribe by Article V, Section 8 and Article IV, Sections 3(f) of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe of Indians on this

day of the , 2014

Chairman, Executive Branch Crow Tribe of Indians

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# Bill or Resolution: <u>JAR14-08</u> Introduced by: <u>Chairman Darrin Old Coyote</u> Date of Vote: <u>4/14/2014</u> Number

Representative:	Yes	No	Abst	ained	
G. Three Irons	X		_		
B. Rogers	X	-			
C. J. Stewart	X				
P. Hill		X			
E. Birdinground	X				
A.Coyote-Runs, Sr.	X				
V. Nomee					
T. Gros Ventre	X				
P. Alden, Jr.					
V. Crooked Arm	X				
P. Spotted Horse, Sr.	X				
L. DeCrane	X				
C. Goes Ahead	X				
B. Hugs	X				
B. Good Luck		<u>X</u>			
G. Stewart					
G. Real Bird, Jr. Secretary of the House	X				
R. K. Old Crow, Sr. Speaker of the House	X				
Totals:	13	2	0		
Result of Vote:	Passed	Not Passed	Tabled	Veto-Override	
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Senator R. Knute Old Crow, Sr. Date Speaker of the House			Senator Gordon Real Bird, Jr. Date Secretary of the House		