

**MAY 16, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE**

**LR No. 13-03**

Introduced by the Education Committee

A Legislative Resolution Titled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO CONFIRM BIRDENA REAL BIRD AS CABINET HEAD OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

Legislative Findings:

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Tribal Legislature ("Legislature") has the power and duty under Article V, Section 2 of the Crow Tribal Constitution to promulgate and adopt resolutions in accordance with the Tribal Constitution and federal laws for the governance of the Crow Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, Article IV, Section 5(a) of the Crow Tribal Constitution provides that the specific duties and authorities of the Executive Branch Chairman includes the authority to appoint Cabinet members including a Comptroller who shall be bonded, Chief Executive Officer and other such Cabinet positions adopted by Tribal Ordinance, Resolution or Policy who shall all serve in subordinate positions to the Tribal Officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature has the statutory authority to confirm Crow Tribal Executive Branch cabinet members as provided in Crow Tribal Joint Action Resolution 02-04 (titled "A Joint Action Resolution of the Crow Tribal Legislative and Executive Branches to Confirm Chairman's Selections for Executive Branch Cabinet Heads and CEO"); and

**WHEREAS**, the position of Cabinet Head of the Tribal Education Department is of vital importance to achieving the full potential of members of the Crow Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, it is critical that the position of Cabinet Head of the Education Department be filled by an individual with extensive experience in the areas of education policy, higher education support, and Indian education; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Branch Chairman Darrin Old Coyote has appointed Birdena Real Bird to serve as Cabinet Head of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Real Bird is a member of the Crow Tribe with a commendable history of service to the Crow tribal community with extensive experience in the fields of Indian education, higher education, and educational policy and is well-qualified to serve in this capacity; and

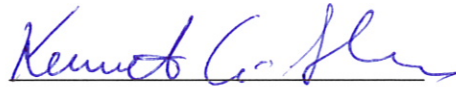
**WHEREAS**, Ms. Real Bird has appeared and testified before the Education Committee during a confirmation hearing held on May 15th and has received the Committee's recommendation to the Legislature to be the Cabinet Head for the Education Department.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CROW TRIBAL  
LEGISLATURE IN SPECIAL SESSION:**

That Birdena Real Bird is duly confirmed as the Cabinet Head of the Crow Tribal Education Department and upon certification and oath shall exercise all duties and authorities in accordance with all applicable federal and Crow tribal law.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this Tribal Resolution titled **A Resolution of the Crow Tribal Legislature to Confirm Birdena Real Bird as Cabinet Head of the Education Department** was duly adopted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 11 in favor 1 opposed, and 1 abstaining and that a quorum was present on this 16th day of May, 2013.



Senator Kenneth Shane  
Speaker of the House  
Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:



Senator R. Knute Old Crow  
Secretary  
Crow Tribal Legislature

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**Number**

<b><u>Representative:</u></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
H. Two Leggins	_____	_____	_____
V. Pretty Paint	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
C. J. Stewart	_____	_____	_____
L. Other Medicine	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
A. Coyote-Runs, Sr.	_____	_____	_____
L. Not Afraid.	_____	<u>  X  </u>	_____
M. Covers Up, Sr.	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
P. Alden, Jr.	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
M. Not Afraid	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
V. Crooked Arm	_____	_____	_____
L. DeCrane	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
C. Goes Ahead	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
B. Hugs	_____	_____	_____
G. Real Bird, Jr.	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
M. Backbone	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
G. Stewart	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
R. K. Old Crow, Sr. <i>Secretary of the House</i>	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
K. Shane <i>Speaker of the House</i>	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
<b>Totals:</b>	<u>  11  </u>	<u>  1  </u>	<u>  1  </u>


Result of Vote:

**Passed**

**Not Passed**

**Tabled**

**Veto-Override**



Senator Kenneth G. Shane  
 Speaker of the House

Date



Senator R. Knute Old Crow, Sr.  
 Secretary of the House

Date