CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE MARCH 9, 2016 SPECIAL SESSION

LR No. 16-05

Introduced by the Crow Tribal Legislature

A Legislative Resolution Titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZING BRANCH ATTORNEY DAWN GRAY STATUS AS SALARIED EMPLOYEE

Legislative Findings:

WHEREAS, the Crow Tribal Legislature (hereinafter "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, the constitutional power and duty of the Legislature is exercised in accordance with the doctrine of separation of powers from the other branches of Crow Tribal Government; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 by passage of Legislative Resolution No. 11-17, the position of Legislative Branch staff attorney was established in order to provide the Legislature with professional in-house legal counsel separate and distinct from the attorneys of the Executive Branch and Judicial Branch of Tribal Government; and

WHEREAS, for several months the Legislature publicly advertised for an attorney position and, upon thorough review of all applicants, the Health and Human Services Committee held a meeting on September 11th, 2014 for the purpose of making an official recommendation to the full Legislature on the selection of an attorney; and

WHEREAS, Dawn Gray is a Montana licensed attorney with substantial experience in the practice of federal Indian law, including work as legal counsel for Montana Indian tribes and as a tribal court judge; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature now deems it necessary and proper to give final approval to the contract for legal services with Dawn Gray.

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

In accordance with Legislative Resolution No. 08-07, the Legislature hereby gives approval to and authorizes the Branch Officers to execute a contract for legal services with Dawn Gray.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED:

This tribal resolution shall take effect immediately upon becoming duly adopted by the Legislature.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Legislative Resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO AUTHORIZING BRANCH ATTORNEY DAWN GRAY AS SALARIED EMPLOYEE was duly adopted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 17 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained and that a quorum was present on the 9th day of March, 2016.

Senator R. Knute Old Crow, Sr.

Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Senator Patrick Alden, Jr.

Secretary

Crow Tribal Legislature

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Bill or Resolution: <u>LR16-05</u> Introduced by: <u>Health & Human Serv. Com.</u> Date of Vote: <u>3/9/2016</u> Number

Representative:	Yes	No	Abstai	ned		
G. Three Irons	X					
B. Rogers	X					
F. White Clay						
P. Hill	X		<u> </u>			
E. Birdinground	X					
S. Real Bird	X					
V. Nomee	X					
T. Gros Ventre	X					
V. Crooked Arm	X					
P. Spotted Horse, Sr.	X					
L. DeCrane	X					
C. Goes Ahead	X					
B. Hugs	X					
G. Real Bird, Jr.	X			· ·		
B. Good Luck	X					
H. Male Bear, Jr.	X	* <u>#</u> # **	<u> </u>			
P. Alden, Jr. Secretary Pro-Tem	X		-			
R. Old Crow, Sr. Speaker of the House	X					
Totals:	17	0	0			
Result of Vote:	Passed	Not Passed	Tabled	Veto-Override		
Senator R. Knute Old Speaker of the House			Par 4 de nator Pat Alde cretary Pro-Te		Date Date	-16