JULY 2022 SESSION CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE

LR NO. <u>LR 22-28</u>

A LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TITLED:

"RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH BIG FIRE LAW & POLICY GROUP, LLP TO SERVE AS INTERIM CONTRACT LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATIVE BRANCH."

WHEREAS The Crow Tribal Legislative Branch is a separate and distinct branch of government under the 2001 Constitution of the Crow Tribe; and

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 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 the Crow Tribal Legislative Branch has established the position of the Legislative Branch staff attorney to provide the Legislative Branch with independent and ethical legal counsel, and for legal statutory construction and constitutional interpretation and other relevant areas of law; and

WHEREAS the Crow Tribal Legislative Branch advertised the vacant position of Legislative Branch staff attorney on two separate occasions, and received no applications from interested candidates; and

WHEREAS the Legislature seeks to provide accurate and accountable legislation responsive to Executive Branch Departments in the operation of Crow Tribal government and to the Crow Tribal General Council; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Branch has a current need for legal services pending the hiring of a permanent attorney, and

WHEREAS the Legislative Body has recommended to retain the services of Big Fire Law & Policy Group, LLP for a temporary contract until the Branch has time to re-advertise, generate applicants, and retain the services of a full-time in-house staff attorney; and

WHEREAS the Legislature now deems it necessary and proper to give final approval to the contract for legal services with Big Fire Law & Policy Group, LLP;

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

That the contract submitted by Big Fire Law & Policy Group, LLP, is hereby approved and incorporated into this LR by reference, by the Crow Tribal Legislature.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED:

That this Legislative Resolution shall be effective as of July 19, 2022.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Legislative Resolution entitled: "RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH BIG FIRE LAW & POLICY GROUP, LLP TO SERVE AS INTERIM CONTRACT LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATIVE BRANCH" was duly adopted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 15 in favor, 1 opposed, and 0 abstained and that a quorum was present on the 20th day of July 2022.

Hon. Sen. Darwin Spotted, Sr.

Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Hon. Sen. Brandon Good Luck

Secretary

Crow Tribal Legislature



CROW LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

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Introduced by: Crow Legislature Date of Vote: July 20, 2022

REPRESENTATIVE: YES NO **ABSTAIN** V. Pickett X D. Spotted, Sr. X C. Other Medicine X Y. Little Light, Jr. X L. Hogan, III X C. Meeks X D. Don't Mix X H. Small X T. Gros Ventre P. Alden, Jr. X C. Takes Enemy X T. Plainfeather X J. Kills Pretty Enemy S. DeCrane B. Hugs X N. Old Crow, Jr. X H. Male Bear-Stone X B. Good Luck Secretary of the House X TOTAL 15

Senator Darwin Spotted, Sr. Speaker of the House

Result of Vote:

Crow Tribal Legislative Branch

Bill or Resolution: LR 22-28

Date

Not Passed

Passed

Senator Brandon Good Luck

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Crow Tribal Legislative Branch

Secretary of the House

Date

Veto-Override