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MARCH 7, 2023 SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION NO. LR 23-01

Introduced by the Crow Tribal Legislature

A LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION TITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT THE LITTLE BIG HORN COLLEGE APPLICATION FOR DIRECT CONGRESSIONAL FUNDING TO ASSIST IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CENTER OF APSAALOOKE CULTURE AND HISTORY PROJECT.

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

WHEREAS the Legislature enacted LR 10-20 (Branch Policy and Procedure for Legislative Resolutions), identifying that Legislative Resolutions are the expression of the voice of the elected Senators of the Legislature, which is based on the inherent sovereign authority of the Crow Tribal General Council, as delegated the Legislature by the Crow Tribal Constitution, and which categorizes different types of legislative resolutions, including but not limited to those which are made to express "recommendations and statements of support"; and

WHEREAS the Little Big Horn College (the "College") was established and chartered by the Crow Tribe during the January 1980 meeting of the General Council pursuant to Resolution 80-17B, received accreditation by the Commission on Colleges, Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges in 1990, and continues to serve the Crow Indian people by offering high quality degrees, certificates, and programs for professional, workforce, and personal development that bring prosperity and leadership to Crow Country; and preserve, protect, and perpetuate the Apsáalooke language, history, and culture; and

WHEREAS the College has been working diligently to plan and construct the Little Big Horn College Center of Apsáalooke Culture and History (the "Center"), a 42,900 sq. ft. complex that will include, among other things, a Crow Hall of Fame, an Elder's Center, and a Gift Shop; and

WHEREAS the College was recently awarded \$1.943 million from the Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration to cover the costs of Architectural, Engineering, and other professional services needed to complete the design of all components of the Center and include construction documents; and

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WHEREAS the College has been engaged in pursuing additional funding from several sources of support to cover the costs of the Center's construction which is estimated to be approximately \$17 million; and

WHEREAS as part of its fundraising efforts, the College intends to submit an application for direct congressional funding in the very near future, in an amount great enough to cover the costs of the Crow Hall of Fame, Elder's Center, and Gift Shop; and

WHEREAS Crow tribal leaders and our community members have long desired to see a Center of Apsáalooke Culture and History constructed on the Crow Indian Reservation, and wholeheartedly believe that this Center will not only greatly benefit our own Crow citizens, but all those who walk through its doors; and

WHEREAS the Crow Tribal Legislature commends the College for its efforts to make the Tribe's dream of a Center of Apsáalooke Culture and History a reality, fully supports the College's efforts to raise the capital required to construct the Center as a whole, and more specifically, the Crow Hall of Fame, Elders Center, and Gift Shop, and desires to show such recognition and support through official legislative action.

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

- 1. That the Crow Tribal Legislature hereby expresses its full support for the efforts of the Little Big Horn College to build a Center of Apsáalooke Culture and History and to apply for direct congressional funding for the purpose of constructing the Crow Hall of Fame, Elders Center, and Gift Shop portions of the Center.
- 2. That this Legislative Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.
- 3. That the Secretary of the House shall cause a certified copy of this Legislative Resolution to be immediately delivered to the Little Big Horn College.

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Legislative Resolution entitled: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT THE LITTLE BIG HORN COLLEGE APPLICATION FOR DIRECT CONGRESSIONAL FUNDING TO ASSIST IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CENTER OF APSAALOOKE CULTURE AND HISTORY PROJECT" was duly adopted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 16 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained and that a quorum was present on the 7th day of March, 2023.

Hon. Sen. Sampson DeCrane

Speaker of the House Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Hon. Sen. Charla Takes Enemy

Secretary of the House Crow Tribal Legislature



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Bill or Resolution	LR 23-01	Introduced by:	Infrastructure Committee	Date of Vote March 3, 202	3_
REPRESENTA	TIVE:	Yes	No	Abstain	
V. Pickett		X			
D. Spotted		<u>X</u>			
C. Other Medicine		X			
Y. Little Light		X			
L. Hogan					
C. Meeks		X			
D. Don't Mix		X			
H. Small		X			
T. Gros Ventre		X	-		
P. Alden		X			
C. Takes Enemy Secretary of the Hou	ıse	X			
T. Plainfeather		X			
J. Kills Pretty Enem	у	X			
S. DeCrane Speaker of the Hou	se	X			
B. Hugs		X			
N. Old Crow, Jr					
B. Good Luck		X			
H. MaleBear-Stone		X			
TOTAL		16	0	0	
Result of Vote:	Passed	Not Passed	Tabled	Veto-Override	
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