

**32ND NATIONAL INDIAN & NATIVE AMERICAN
EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CONFERENCE
Scottsdale, Arizona
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RESOLUTION NUMBER 2011-05

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We, the Indian and Native American Grantees of the National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference (NINAETC) attending the 32nd Annual Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants rights secured under Indian Treaties and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and constitution of the United States and the several states, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Native people, to preserve Indian and Native cultural values, and otherwise promote the welfare of the Indian and Native people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the NINAETC are the representatives of and advocates for national, regional, and tribal concerns; and

WHEREAS, the NINAETC is a national organization comprised of American Indians, Alaskan Natives, and Native Hawaiians; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of NINAETC; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Native American Offices has had its own unit for Native American Programs based upon the government to government relationship with American Indian and Alaskan Native tribes as sovereign nations; and

WHEREAS; all federal documents created since the Constitution of the United States have emphasized and expressed the federal commitment to the USA tribes; and

WHEREAS, federal laws, documents and departments since 1974 stated that Department of Labor "...programs can best be administered at the national level and...shall be administered in such a manner as to maximize the federal commitment to support growth and development as determined by representatives of the communities and groups served...; including the Senate Committee on Human Resources; and

WHEREAS; Section 166 (a)(2) of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) states that all programs assisted under this section shall be "administered in a manner consistent with principles of the Indian Self Determination & Education Act (25 USC 450 et. Seq) and government to government relationship between federal government and Indian Tribal Governments." And this language ties Native American workforce programs


directly to the basic statutory framework setting Indian policy for the entire federal government administration; and

WHEREAS, WIA Section 166 (h)(1) designated a single organization unit within the Department of Labor that have primary responsibility for the administration of activities under this section

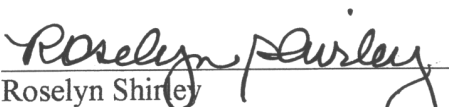
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the **32nd National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference** agrees that since all precedents have been set that the Native American programs support services, technical assistance, oversight activities remain at the national level and not be doled out to its regional offices.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 32nd Annual National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference, held at the Talking Stick Resort, Scottsdale, Arizona, on April 21, 2011 with a quorum present.



Kathy Atkins
Chairman, 2011 NINAETC



Roselyn Shirley
Secretary, 2011 NINAETC