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Resolution 2013-01

A RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR PARNELL AND THE ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENSURE THAT THE ALASKA RURAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE (ARCS) TELEVISION NETWORK IS FUNDED TO CONVERT TO DIGITAL SERVICE

- WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is a tribal organization and the regional Alaska Native non-profit corporation and tribal consortium serving the Bristol Bay Region; and
- WHEREAS: ARCS is the Alaska Rural Communications Service, a television service formerly known as RATNet, which the State of Alaska owns and operates as a public communications service to bush and rural communities; and
- WHEREAS: ARCS has provided free, over-the-air television service to rural Alaska communities for more than three decades, and it is still a primary, affordable information source for many users; and
- WHEREAS: The state relies on ARCS as part of its emergency broadcast system; and
- WHEREAS: ARCS's low-power transmitters in the villages are still analogue, and the FCC has established a deadline of September 1, 2015 for converting all analogue services to digital; and
- WHEREAS: Many villages have had to pay for repairs for ARCS's state-owned equipment, as well as provide power and housing for the equipment, and there is no currently identified funding source for the conversion; and
- WHEREAS: ARCS delivers vital weather and emergency information, as well as news, public affairs, entertainment and educational programming in some of Alaska's most remote and economically depressed regions; and
- WHEREAS: Digital conversion would offer expanded services to viewers with additional channels inside the same bandwidth used for analog; and
- WHEREAS: Digital conversion would modernize the aging analog transmitter fleet while continuing to make good use of the installed ARCS satellite infrastructure; and

WHEREAS: Successful conversion prior to the FCC deadline will require planning, swift action and significant funding; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Bristol Bay Native Association Board of Directors that it urges Governor Sean Parnell and the Alaska State Legislature to ensure the Alaska Rural Communications Service is provide sufficient funds to convert to digital services by the Federal Communications Commission deadline;

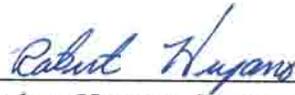
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Bristol Bay Native Association Board of Directors that it urges the State of Alaska to convert the ARCS analog LPTV fleet to digital, modernizing the aging infrastructure and ensuring that ARCS viewers in bush and rural Alaska can continue to receive this vital, free-to-watch over the air television service long after the Federally Mandated Analog Transmitter turn-off date of September 1, 2015.



Fred T. Angasan, Chairman

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly passed by majority vote of the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and notice meeting on the 22nd day of March 2013 and that a quorum was present.



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RESOLUTION 2013-02

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FULL FUNDING OF THE
WEATHERIZATION AND HOME ENERGY REBATE PROGRAMS AT A
LEVEL OF \$101.5 MILLION**

WHEREAS: Alaska faces unprecedented energy challenges, including escalating energy costs and overdependence on foreign oil, especially in rural Alaska; and

WHEREAS: to help combat these high costs, the Alaska Legislature created the Weatherization and Home Energy Rebate Programs to help make Alaska's homes more energy efficient; and

WHEREAS: Bristol Bay Native Association recognizes that our dependence on oil to generate our electricity, heat our homes and drive our vehicles results in extremely high energy costs, and has become a significant barrier to economic development; and

WHEREAS: the Weatherization and Home Energy Rebate Programs not only help Alaskan residents save money through lower fuel bills, but also put money back into the local and statewide economies by creating thousands of jobs, both direct and indirect, associated with the programs; and

WHEREAS: the Weatherization and Home Energy Rebate Programs are very successful in helping reduce residential energy costs and deserve a multi-year extension.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bristol Bay Native Association respectfully urges Governor Parnell and the Alaska Legislature to continue fully funding the Weatherization and Home Energy Rebate Programs at \$101.5 million in Fiscal Year 2014, extended indefinitely, to meet the critical energy efficiency needs of qualified Alaskans.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association passed the foregoing resolution at a duly called and noticed meeting on this 22nd day of March, 2013, and that a quorum was present.


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RESOLUTION 2013-03

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CITIZENS' ALTERNATIVE BRISTOL BAY AREA PLAN
AND REQUESTING PUBLIC MEETINGS IN BRISTOL BAY**

- WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and
- WHEREAS: In 2009, eight plaintiffs, composed of six BBNA member tribes represented by the tribal councils for Nondalton, Koliganek, New Stuyahok, Ekwok, Curyung, and Levelock, plus commercial and sport fishing groups, sued the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to overturn its 2005 Bristol Bay Area Plan (BBAP) on several grounds, including that it (1) used marine criteria to identify inland habitat and thereby eliminated 93 percent of prior habitat classifications, (2) defined recreation as excluding sport hunting and fishing contrary to regulation, (3) lacked a subsistence land use classification category, and (4) defined salmon waters based on whether they were navigable by a boat; and
- WHEREAS: The plaintiffs sought to restore land use classifications that protect fish and game habitat and the subsistence, commercial and recreational use of fish and game in the Nushagak and Kvichak Drainages; and
- WHEREAS: The Alaska Supreme Court ruled for the plaintiffs and against DNR on its efforts to dismiss the case, and the plaintiffs and DNR thereafter settled the case with DNR agreeing to (1) reopen the planning process on 10.7 million acres, (2) consider moose and caribou in identifying habitat, (3) consider a petition to create a subsistence land use classification category, and (4) make the definition of recreation track regulation; and
- WHEREAS: Although the Department of Natural Resources has proposed amendments that would improve the BBAP, the Department has declined to
- (1) establish a Subsistence land classification category comparable to the recreation category;
 - (2) classify non-navigable anadromous waters as habitat;
 - (3) classify much of the moose wintering areas as habitat; and
 - (4) classify caribou calving and wintering areas as habitat; and

WHEREAS: Through the Bristol Bay Regional Visioning Project, Bristol Bay residents stated that access to a subsistence way of life is of the utmost importance to local communities, as is asserting the importance of local voices in managing our natural resources; and

WHEREAS: The 2013 Revision of the Bristol Bay Area Plan allowed for a public comment period which closes on May 6, 2013;

WHEREAS: DNR's failure to address all of the points of action identified in the above mentioned lawsuit demonstrates that the Alaska Department of Natural Resources proposed revisions to the Bristol Bay Area Plan do little to protect the people of the region against threats to Bristol Bay's land, water, fish & wildlife resources, economy and traditional way of life.

WHEREAS: The Citizens' Alternative Bristol Bay Area Plan incorporates the shared values of the tribal communities of Bristol Bay as it follows the Bristol Bay Regional Vision by providing for protection of our land and resources while promoting local involvement in the public processes governing natural resource management; and

WHEREAS: The Citizen's Alternative Bristol Bay Area Plan urges the Department of Natural Resources to incorporate the following considerations into DNR's 2013 Revised Bristol Bay Area Plan:

- (1) Establishing a Subsistence land classification category, or making subsistence a consideration in designating land as habitat and for retention in state ownership;
- (2) Classifying as habitat those anadromous waters designated as important in the Anadromous Waters Catalog regardless of whether they are navigable or not;
- (3) Classifying as habitat the moose wintering and caribou wintering areas in the Nushagak and Kvichak drainages;
- (4) Increasing Habitat Classifications for wildlife and fish;
- (5) Prohibiting metallic sulfide mines in the Nushagak and Kvichak drainages;
- (6) Approving a new mineral closing order that would ban new mining claims on or along salmon spawning streams threatened by mining;
- (7) Encouraging Voluntary Cooperative Planning;
- (8) Providing for water level protections for fish as they were in the 1984 plan such that in Bristol Bay we automatically reserve water for fish. If you want to take water out, you have to prove no harm to fish;
- (9) Creating a Bristol Bay Advisory Board for the Nushagak/Kvichak Drainages;
- (10) Operating under a "Precautionary Principle" as it was adopted by the Alaska Board of Fisheries, i.e. "If you don't know, err on the side of caution;"
- (11) Operating under the presumption that all waters in Bristol Bay are needed for salmon unless proven otherwise by those who wish to use it.

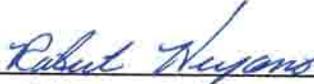
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it supports the Citizens' Alternative Bristol Bay Area Plan in concept urges that the Citizen's Plan be incorporated into a revised Bristol Bay Area Plan.



Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association passed the foregoing resolution at a duly called and noticed meeting on this 22nd day of March, 2013, and that a quorum was present.



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RESOLUTION 2013-04

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING SB 26 AND HB 77 AMENDING STATE WATER RIGHTS AND PERMITTING STATUTES

- WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and
- WHEREAS: legislation has been introduced (SB 26 and HB 77) that would create significant barriers for Alaskans to participate in resource development decisions; and
- WHEREAS: the proposed legislation gives the DNR commissioner broad authority to authorize activities through issuance of a general permit without a public process for determining activities that may be suitable for a standardized authorization, and it creates ambiguity regarding appeal rights from decisions to issue a general permit, and
- WHEREAS: the proposed legislation limits administrative appeals to people “substantially and adversely affected” by a decision who “meaningfully participated” in the public comment process, and by doing so sets a new standard that is highly subjective and open to interpretation and could result in an inequitable or inconsistent application of the appeal right; and
- WHEREAS: the proposed legislation gives the DNR commissioner unilateral authority to issue an unlimited number of new temporary water use authorizations for the same project, which means the use of a significant amount of water may be permitted for decades without the public ever having an opportunity to comment on the use; and
- WHEREAS: the proposed legislation removes the ability of Tribes, organizations, and individuals to apply for a reservation of water and thus undercuts one of the most basic principles of water law in Alaska; and
- WHEREAS: taking away a Tribe’s right to water, and vesting that authority in State and federal agencies or municipal government only, lays the groundwork for years of litigation between the state and federal government (on behalf of Tribes) over a particular watershed; and

WHEREAS: BBNA has invested over \$500,000 in hydrological data for fourteen of the pending water reservation applications filed with DNR that would be nullified by the proposed legislation; and

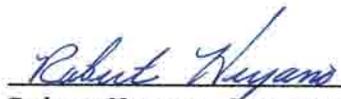
WHEREAS: these water reservation applications were filed to protect fish and wildlife habitat as Alaskan residents, particularly Alaska Natives living in our region are highly dependent upon adequate stream flow and clean water that support the unparalleled salmon returns vital to subsistence and commercial fishing harvests that sustain our region.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it opposes SB 26 and HB 77 as it extends overreaching discretionary authority to the DNR commissioner, limits public involvement opportunities in decisions affecting water rights and land use, and strips individuals, Tribal governments and other entities from securing legally enforceable rights to maintain water levels critical for the life stages of salmon and other fish.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

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RESOLUTION 2013-05

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROCESS USED FOR THE CHIKUMINUK LAKE HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROJECT PROPOSAL AND URGING THAT ANY SUCH FEASIBILITY STUDY IN THE WOOD-TIKCHIK STATE PARK INCLUDE BRISTOL BAY VILLAGES

- WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and
- WHEREAS: the watersheds of the Bristol Bay region support the world's most prolific wild salmon runs and a vibrant commercial fishery, and the Wood Tikchik State Park encompasses two of those watersheds: the Wood River drainage and the Nushagak River drainage; and
- WHEREAS: several of BBNA's member tribes and communities, including the regional hub Dillingham, are located in the Wood River and Nushagak River drainages; and
- WHEREAS: the Alaska Legislature is considering legislation to amend the enabling act that created Wood-Tikchik State Park in order to facilitate studies and the potential development and operation of a hydro-electric dam at Chikuminuk Lake; and
- WHEREAS: certain Anchorage legislators introduced the legislation at the request of Nuvista Light & Electric Cooperative ("Nuvista"), an Anchorage-based company governed by eight entities from the Kuskokwim area; and
- WHEREAS: the Nuvista proposal for Chikuminuk Lake would not serve Bristol Bay villages even though the project site is within the Bristol Bay Region and closer to the Nushagak River villages than the Kuskokwim villages, and closer to Dillingham than to Bethel; and
- WHEREAS: Chikuminuk Lake is located in the watershed of the Nushagak River and Bristol Bay and is an important component of a hydrologic system that supports the fish and wildlife upon which many residents of Nushagak and Wood River communities subsist; and
- WHEREAS: if the Chikuminuk Lake is a feasible site for a hydro-electric project, there is no legitimate policy basis for the legislature to favor Nuvista over power companies within the Bristol Bay Region

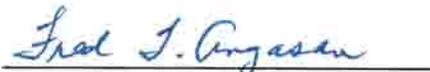
or to support transporting power out of the Bristol Bay region, which has just as great of a need for power generation; and

WHEREAS: BBNA recognizes the need for alternative sources of energy for rural Alaska and in general supports feasibility studies of potential energy sources; however, it is an abuse of the legislative process to amend the enabling act of Wood-Tikchik State Park without considering the impacts, needs, and preferences of the communities closest to the park and downstream of the project site; and

WHEREAS: BBNA, the communities and residents of Bristol Bay were not consulted about the hydro-electric project prior to the appropriation of funds for studying it, and neither was the Wood-Tikchik State Park Management Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it opposes the process used by Nuvista and the Alaska State Legislature to date for the Chikuminuk Lake Hydro-electric project, and the Nuvista project as currently proposed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that BBNA urges that the Alaska State Legislature ensure that Bristol Bay communities are included in any hydro-electric or other energy studies or projects within the Wood-Tikchik State Park.



Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association passed the foregoing resolution at a duly called and noticed meeting on this 22rd day of March, 2013, and that a quorum was present.



Robert Heyano, Secretary

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By the Full Board of Directors

Resolution 2013-06

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ALASKA SAFE FAMILIES AND
VILLAGES ACT OR SIMILAR TRIBAL JURISDICTION LEGISLATION
FOR ALASKA**

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association is a regional Alaska Native non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes in the Bristol Bay Region; and

WHEREAS: For many years BBNA, the Alaska Federation of Natives, and many tribes and tribal organizations have requested Congress to legislatively clarify and enhance tribal civil jurisdiction in Alaska, including tribal court authority and law enforcement, and particularly in the subject matter areas of domestic violence, child abuse, juvenile matters, and alcohol and drug offenses; and

WHEREAS: The gaps in effective village-level intervention in such matters is well known, but is often misunderstood as exclusively a law enforcement problem without recognition that there is an even greater gap in court services; and

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Region, for example, is the size of Ohio and has 31 scattered communities, but has only two state courts: a Superior Court with judge and magistrate in Dillingham, and a magistrate court in Naknek, and it has no juvenile holding facility at all; and

WHEREAS: Alaska does not have justice of the peace courts like many states, and only Anchorage has a municipal court; and

WHEREAS: Although Alaska's tribes retain membership-based jurisdiction for some purposes, in the absence of territorial "Indian Country" jurisdiction the extent of tribal authority is an unsettled area of law and subject to widely varying opinions; and

WHEREAS: While local state district attorneys, social workers, juvenile officers, and judges have supported the efforts of tribes to exercise judicial authority and in some instances are eager to transfer particular cases to the tribes, the state Administration and Attorney General's office under the current

and prior two governors have taken the narrowest possible interpretation of tribal authority and have been unwilling to work with tribes in any meaningful way; and

- WHEREAS: Tribal courts (including tribal councils sitting as courts) have been functioning in many villages across Alaska for years and some have robust court processes, but in many villages this activity is limited to Indian Child Welfare Act matters and adoptions because those are the areas where tribal authority is clearest; and
- WHEREAS: Tribes and tribal organizations are already major service providers in rural Alaska; they have more social service workers in the field than the state, and they should be encouraged and supported in their efforts to use tribal authority to address social problems at home; and
- WHEREAS: In general, the goals and interests of the tribes in developing tribal courts and law enforcement is to protect the community, but also to use culturally-appropriate, non-adversarial methods involving restorative justice, community service, mentoring, and wellness activities to address minor offenses or problems before they escalate, and to keep tribal members out of the state criminal justice system altogether; and
- WHEREAS: In the long run BBNA believes that tribal courts and culturally based models of justice will be a more effective and less costly than the near exclusive reliance on the state law enforcement and justice systems that exists in most parts of rural Alaska today; and
- WHEREAS: Experience has shown over the last 20 years or more, that tribes have been the most successful and most likely to develop intervention services in fields where they have clear authority to act, such as the Indian Child Welfare Act; and
- WHEREAS: Recent legislation including the Tribal Law & Order Act of 2010 and the recent reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act have made resources available to Alaska tribes, but have not positively addressed tribal jurisdictional issues in Alaska; and
- WHEREAS: Senator Mark Begich introduced a bill in the last Congress, the Alaska Safe Families and Villages Act, which was strongly supported by BBNA and which would begin to address these issues by establishing a demonstration project by which a limited number of Alaska Native tribes could clearly exercise law enforcement and court jurisdiction over alcohol and drug abuse in their communities and enhanced authority over domestic violence and child abuse and neglect;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that BBNA endorses the approach of the Alaska Safe Families and Villages Act and urges Congress to pass legislation recognizing tribal civil jurisdiction in Alaska to address critical social issues such as domestic violence, sexual assault, drug and alcohol abuse, and juvenile matters.

Signed: *Fred T. Angasan*
Fred T. Angasan, Chairman

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, Inc. do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 22nd day of March, 2013, and that a quorum was present.

Robert Heyano
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RESOLUTION 2013-07

A RESOLUTION URGING THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ALLOW VPSO'S TO BE ARMED

WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and

WHEREAS: BBNA has operated the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program since its inception in the 1980s; and

WHEREAS: VPSOs have one of the most dangerous and difficult occupations in Alaska; they are on call 24 hours a day in remote villages, usually without backup in an emergency, and they are often local residents with relatives in the village; and

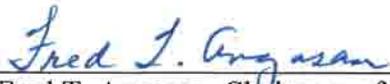
WHEREAS: VPSOs are unarmed in accordance with state policy, yet they serve communities where virtually every household has firearms and where people routinely carry weapons during outside activities for hunting and protection against bears; and

WHEREAS: There appears to have been an increase in violence directly against VPSOs in recent years; and

WHEREAS: Given improvements in training VPSOS with some experience are highly trained professionals who are often hired away from the program by municipal police departments; and

WHEREAS: VPSOs may be the only law enforcement officers in the country who are expected to respond to calls in volatile situations while unarmed and typically without backup;

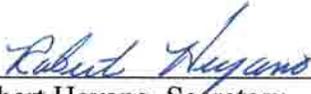
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it urges the State of Alaska, Department of Public Safety, to rescind the current ban on VPSOs carrying firearms.



Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

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I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association passed the foregoing resolution at a duly called and noticed meeting on this 22nd day of March, 2013, and that a quorum was present.



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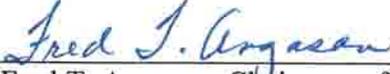
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RESOLUTION 2013-08

A RESOLUTION URGING THE ALASKA STATE TROOPERS TO WORK MORE CLOSELY WITH, AND IN, THE VILLAGES

- WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and
- WHEREAS: BBNA has operated the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program since its inception in the 1980s; and
- WHEREAS: VPSOs have one of the most dangerous and difficult occupations in Alaska; they are on call 24 hours a day in remote villages, usually without backup in an emergency; and
- WHEREAS: The Alaska State Troopers (AST) in rural Alaska are stationed in the hub communities; it is very unlikely that state budgets will ever allow a significant expansion of AST in regard to the number of Troopers in rural Alaska or the number of Trooper posts; and
- WHEREAS: The extent of social problems in many villages is well known; rural Alaska communities have disproportionate rates of substance abuse, suicide, domestic violence and related problems, yet many communities are also making real progress in addressing these issues through wellness programs, tribal courts, and other community based efforts; and
- WHEREAS: BBNA believes that law enforcement services would be improved in rural Alaska if Troopers spent more time in the villages in non-emergency contexts, mentoring VPSOs, spending time in communities without any resident law enforcement, and filling in during periods VPSOs are out of the village; and
- WHEREAS: Among other benefits of this community oriented approach would be the development of trust on the part of village residents, and greater familiarity by the Troopers with local customs, institutions and resources;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it urges the Alaska State Troopers to development a system whereby Troopers are routinely stationed in cooperating villages within their service areas for a week or two at a time.



Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

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Resolution 2013-09

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BBNA TO APPLY FOR THE FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM

WHEREAS: The Family Violence Prevention and Services Grant Program (Family Violence Program) is a Department of Health and Human Services (DHSS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF) grant program intended to assist Tribes or Tribal organizations in supporting the establishment, maintenance, and expansion of programs and projects to prevent incidents of family violence and to provide immediate shelter and related assistance for victims of family violence and their dependents; and,

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is a tribal consortium and a tribal organization, as defined by section 450b of Title 25 of the U.S. Code; and

WHEREAS: For many years BBNA has administered a Family Violence Program, in partnership with the local domestic violence program, Safe and Fear-Free Environment (SAFE); and

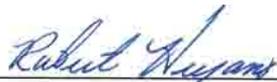
WHEREAS: The BBNA Board of Directors wishes BBNA's Family Violence Program to continue;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that BBNA management is authorized to apply for a DHSS ACF Family Violence Prevention and Services grant on behalf of BBNA and its member Tribes for the Fiscal Year 2013 grant cycle, and to administer the programs and activities associated with such grant.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

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RESOLUTION 2013-10

A RESOLUTION HONORING AND EXPRESSING DEEP APPRECIATION FOR VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS AND THE BBNA VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER PROGRAM

WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and

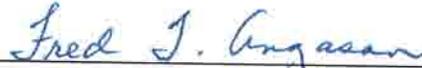
WHEREAS: BBNA has operated the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program since its inception in the 1980s; and

WHEREAS: VPSOs have one of the most dangerous and difficult occupations in Alaska; they are on call 24 hours a day in remote villages and respond to every conceivable emergency service and public safety problem, frequently without backup; and

WHEREAS: Over the last 30 years VPSOs have provided honorable and exemplary service through long hours, hard work, and dedication to their communities; and

WHEREAS: The VPSO program has contributed enormously to public safety and the quality of life in Bristol Bay villages.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it honors and expresses heartfelt appreciation and thanks to the VPSO Program and to the Village Public Safety Officers who serve, and have served, so honorably and well in the Bristol Bay Region.



Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association passed the foregoing resolution at a duly called and noticed meeting on this 22nd day of March, 2013, and that a quorum was present.



Robert Heyano, Secretary

BRISTOL BAY NATIVE ASSOCIATION

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By Full Board of Directors

Resolution 2013-11

A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING PROGRAM FUNDS TO BE RECEIVED UNDER THE SELF GOVERNANCE COMPACT WITH THE UNITED STATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014

WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association has entered into a Self-Governance Compact with the United States Government on behalf of twenty-five Bristol Bay Tribes under the authority of PL. 93-638, as Amended by PL 103-413, and

WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association wishes to allocate certain Compact monies to these Tribes as sub-recipients, to the extent they have retained such funds in the compact, in a way which provides maximum flexibility to each individual Tribe in the uses to which these monies can be utilized and to otherwise allocate Compact funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Bristol Bay Native Association that it internally programs/reprograms BIA funds in the following manner:

1. The following BIA Budget Code lines within the compact are reprogrammed to the BBNA fund "Consolidated Tribal Government Services" and are to be allocated to each Tribe in accordance with its tribal share as established by the funding formulas previously negotiated with the United States.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Budget Code</u>
Community Services, General - Agency	T9020
Other Aid to Tribal Govt. - Area	T9020
Social Services – Agency	H9010
Social Services – Area	H9010
Job Placement & Training – Area	C9035
Economic Development – Area	C9110
Natural Resources, General – Area	N9A05
Agriculture – Area	N9B10
Wildlife and Parks – Area	N9E50
Environmental Quality Services – Area	R9D40
Executive Direction – Agency	A9010
Administrative Services – Agency	A5220
Small and Needy Tribes Distribution	T9904
All Other Aid to Tribal Govt. _ Area Office Ops	T6020
Adult Vocational Training – Area Office Ops	E9320
Executive Direction & EEO – Area Office Ops	A6000
Administrative Services – Area Office Ops	A5220

2. The following BIA Budget Code is subject to tribal consultation with tribes, if any, that have tribal shares within BBNA Compact.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Budget Code</u>
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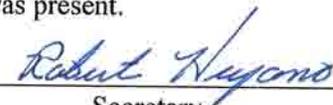
3. All other BIA Budget Code lines are to be retained in existing BIA budget and program categories; provided that BBNA management may reprogram and reallocate such funds internally in accordance with its normal budgetary processes, subject to restrictions imposed by the federal government. The following list may not be exclusive since restricted project funds are added to the BBNA compact from time to time.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Budget Code</u>
Other Aid to Tribal Govt. – Tribe	T9020
Social Services – Tribe	H9010
Social Services – Area	H9010
Indian Child Welfare – Tribe	H9220
Welfare Assistance Grants – Tribe	H9130
Scholarships – Tribe	E9310
Adult Education – Tribe	E9320
Job Placement and Training – Tribe	C9035
Economic Development – Tribe	C9110
Natural Resources, General – Tribe	N9A05
Forestry – Area TPA	N9C30
Forestry – Area Office Ops	N6A30
Trust Services General – Area	R9A10
Other Rights Protection – Area	R9120
ANCSA Historical and Cemetery Sites	R9060
Real Estate Services – Tribe	R9C70
Real Estate Services – Area	R9120
ANILCA Programs – Area	R9050
Area/Agency Technical Support – Other Recurring	30800
Real Estate Services – Non Recurring	34440
All Other Indian Rights Protection – Area Office Ops	R6020
Real Estate Services – Area Office Ops	R6C40
Housing Improvement Program – Area	H9370
Housing Development – Area	H6030
Preparedness (Pre-Suppression)	92120


Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, Inc. do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.

Signed: 

Secretary

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By Full Board of Directors

Resolution 2013-12

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR ALASKA LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

WHEREAS: Alaska Legal Services Corporation's (ALSC's) twenty-four lawyers in eleven offices around the state serve a population of over 168,000 Alaskans living below 200% of the poverty threshold, including more than 40,000 Alaska Natives; and,

WHEREAS: Alaskans potentially eligible for ALSC's services face approximately 65,000 legal problems each year and ALSC's current resources only stretch far enough to help about 6,300 people each year; and,

WHEREAS: Each year ALSC must turn away over 600 qualified individuals with critical legal needs due to its limited resources; and,

WHEREAS: The vast majority of ALSC's cases involve the basic human necessities of family safety, shelter, food, access to medical care, and income maintenance; and,

WHEREAS: Although the May 2000 Alaska Supreme Court Access to Civil Justice Task Force Report recommended that ALSC be funded at \$5 million annually, ALSC's actual funding is far less than that at only \$3.6 million; and

WHEREAS: Several regional Native nonprofits, including Bristol Bay Native Association, Association of Village Council Presidents and Maniilaq Association have made significant financial and in-kind contributions over the years to support local ALSC offices in the communities of Bethel, Dillingham, and Kotzebue; and others, including the CIRI, Bering Straits Native Corporation, Central Council of Tlingit-Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, the Tanana Chiefs Conference, the Inupiaq Community of the Arctic Slope, and the Nome Eskimo Community have otherwise provided support for ALSC; and

WHEREAS: The State of Alaska did make an appropriation to ALSC for FY 2013, approved by Governor Parnell, in the amount of \$550,000, but this amount is far less than needed to assure that all Alaskans have access to equal justice and it is unclear whether this will be sustained in future fiscal years; and

WHEREAS: For every additional \$100,000 of funding enables ALSC to directly benefit 182 more people; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that BBNA urges Governor Parnell to retain and increase the appropriation for ALSC in his proposed FY 2014 budget, and urges the Alaska Legislature to appropriate that funding, and urges Congress to award sufficient funding to the federal Legal Services Corporation to support Alaska Legal Services

Corporation's mission of providing free legal services on vital issues to low income Alaskans.

Fred J. Argason
Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, Inc. do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.

Signed: Robert Nyoma
Secretary

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Resolution 2013- 13

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BBNA TO APPLY TO FEMA FOR FUNDS TO
DEVELOP A BRISTOL BAY TRIBAL DISASTER MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is a non-profit consortium made up of the 31 tribal governments in the Bristol Bay Region; and

WHEREAS: The BBNA's Board of Directors is made up of the respective Tribal President or Council designee; and

WHEREAS: The Stafford Act was amended by Congress and signed into law in January 2013 and included significant changes that allow tribal governments to apply directly to the President for a Presidential Disaster Declaration in the event of a major disaster; and

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Region is vulnerable to natural and manmade disasters that could have a devastating impact on the residents and quality of life of Bristol Bay; and

WHEREAS: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has funds that may be used to assist tribal governments in generating mitigation plans; and

WHEREAS: Once FEMA has approved a tribal mitigation plan, the tribe is eligible for additional funds for implementation of their mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS: BBNA's has taken the lead on acquiring training to provide technical assistance to the tribes in Bristol Bay on mitigation and emergency planning and preparedness; and

WHEREAS: BBNA is committed to assisting in the development of safe and prepared tribal communities within Bristol Bay.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Bristol Bay Native Association Board of Directors that it authorizes the BBNA President & Chief Executive Officer to apply for FEMA Mitigation Planning funds for the development of a Bristol Bay Tribal Mitigation Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Bristol Bay Native Association Board of Directors that it authorizes and charges BBNA upon award of FEMA grant funds to work closely with the 31 Bristol Bay tribal communities in identifying threats and hazards, and to develop a Bristol Bay mitigation plan that is designed to enhance quality of life and safety preparedness of the residents of Bristol Bay.


Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by majority vote of the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.


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RESOLUTION 2013-14

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 199, A BILL RELATING TO ALASKA
DPS REGULATIONS ALLOWING VPSOS TO CARRY FIREARMS**

- WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and
- WHEREAS: BBNA has operated the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) Program since its inception in the early 1980s; and
- WHEREAS: VPSOs are unarmed in accordance with state regulation, yet they serve communities where virtually every household has firearms and where people routinely carry weapons during outdoor activities; and
- WHEREAS: There appears to have been an increase in violence directly against VPSOs in recent years and an increase in dangerous drugs in rural Alaska; and
- WHEREAS: Experienced VPSOs are highly trained professionals who are often hired away from the program by municipal police departments, and there is no sound policy reason not to allow properly trained VPSOs to carry firearms; and
- WHEREAS: Representative Bryce Edgmon and numerous co-sponsors have introduced a bill in the Alaska State Legislature, H.B. 199, which would prevent the Alaska Department of Public Safety from barring suitably trained VPSOs from carrying firearms by regulation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it supports H.B. 199 or similar legislation to allow village public safety officers to carry firearms and urges prompt passage of such legislation by the Alaska State Legislature.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association passed the foregoing resolution at a duly called and noticed meeting on this 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.


Robert Heyano, Secretary

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RESOLUTION 2013-15

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 77 AMENDING STATE WATER RIGHTS AND PERMITTING STATUTES

- WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and
- WHEREAS: a bill has been introduced in the Alaska Legislature and heavily promoted by the Parnell Administration, House Bill 77, which would strip Tribes and individual citizens of their rights to claim in-stream flow water rights and which would create significant barriers for Alaskans to participate in resource development decisions; and
- WHEREAS: the proposed legislation gives the DNR commissioner broad authority to authorize activities through issuance of a general permit without a public process for determining activities that may be suitable for a standardized authorization, and it also greatly weakens the due process appeal rights of the general public; and
- WHEREAS: the proposed legislation gives the DNR commissioner unilateral authority to issue an unlimited number of new temporary water use authorizations for the same project, which means the use of a significant amount of water may be permitted for decades without the public ever having an opportunity to comment on the use or appeal the decision; and
- WHEREAS: the proposed legislation removes the ability of Tribes, non-municipal organizations, and individuals to apply for a reservation of water and thus undercuts one of the most basic principles of water law in Alaska; and
- WHEREAS: some 16 tribes in Alaska including Bristol Bay tribes have filed for in-stream water flow rights and invested millions of dollars in substantiating such applications, and House Bill 77 would strip such tribes of their property interests in such water; and

WHEREAS: BBNA itself has invested more than \$500,000 in hydrological data for fourteen of the pending water reservation applications filed with DNR which would be nullified by the proposed legislation; and

WHEREAS: taking away a Tribe's right to water, and vesting those rights solely in state and federal agencies or municipal governments, sets the stage years of litigation between the state and Tribes and the federal government (on behalf of Tribes) over particular watersheds; and

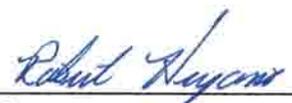
WHEREAS: these water reservation applications were filed to protect fish and wildlife habitat since Alaskan residents, particularly Alaska Natives living in our region, are highly dependent upon adequate stream flow and clean water to support the salmon returns vital to subsistence and commercial fishing harvests in our region.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it opposes HB 77 as it extends overreaching discretionary authority to the DNR commissioner, limits public involvement opportunities in decisions affecting water rights and land use, and strips individuals, tribal governments and other entities from securing legally enforceable rights to maintain water levels critical for the life stages of salmon and other fish.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

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RESOLUTION 2013-16

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROCESS USED FOR THE CHIKUMINUK LAKE HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROJECT AND URGING THAT ANY SUCH FEASIBILITY STUDY IN THE WOOD-TIKCHIK STATE PARK INCLUDE BRISTOL BAY VILLAGES

- WHEREAS: the Bristol Bay Native Association is an Alaska Native regional non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes of the Bristol Bay region; and
- WHEREAS: the watersheds of the Bristol Bay region support the world's most prolific wild salmon runs and a vibrant commercial fishery, and the Wood Tikchik State Park includes part of two of those watersheds: the Wood River drainage and the Nushagak River drainage; and
- WHEREAS: several of BBNA's member tribes and communities, including the regional hub Dillingham, are located in the Wood River and Nushagak River drainages; and
- WHEREAS: the Alaska Legislature is considering legislation to amend the enabling act that created Wood-Tikchik State Park in order to facilitate studies and the potential development and operation of a hydro-electric dam at Chikuminuk Lake; and
- WHEREAS: the Chikuminuk Lake provision was added as a last minute committee substitute for HB 77 in the Senate, at the request of Nuvista Light & Electric Cooperative ("Nuvista"), an Anchorage-based company governed by eight entities from the Kuskokwim area; and
- WHEREAS: the Nuvista proposal for Chikuminuk Lake would not serve Bristol Bay villages even though the project site is within the Bristol Bay Region and is as close or closer to the Nushagak River villages than to the Kuskokwim villages or Bethel; and
- WHEREAS: Chikuminuk Lake is located in the watershed of the Nushagak River and Bristol Bay and is an important component of a hydrologic system that supports the fish and wildlife upon which many residents of Nushagak and Wood River communities subsist; and
- WHEREAS: if the Chikuminuk Lake is a feasible site for a hydro-electric project, there is no legitimate policy basis for the legislature to favor Nuvista over power companies within the Bristol Bay Region

or to support transporting power out of the Bristol Bay region, which has just as great of a need for power generation; and

WHEREAS: BBNA recognizes the need for alternative sources of energy for rural Alaska and in general supports feasibility studies of potential energy sources; however, it is an abuse of the legislative process to amend the enabling act of Wood-Tikchik State Park without considering the impacts, needs, and preferences of the communities closest to the park and downstream of the project site; and

WHEREAS: BBNA, the communities and residents of Bristol Bay were not consulted about the hydro-electric project prior to the appropriation of funds for studying it, and neither was the Wood-Tikchik State Park Management Council;

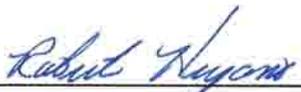
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it opposes the process used by Nuvista and the Alaska State Legislature for the Chikuminuk Lake Hydro-electric project, and opposes the Nuvista project as currently proposed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that BBNA urges that the Alaska State Legislature ensure that Bristol Bay communities are included in any hydro-electric or other energy studies or projects within the Wood-Tikchik State Park.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman of the Board

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association passed the foregoing resolution at a duly called and noticed meeting on this 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.


Robert Heyano, Secretary

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By the Full Board of Directors

Resolution 2013-17

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF ALASKA TO ENHANCE ITS
PREVENTION AND ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS AGAINST DANGEROUS
DRUGS IN RURAL ALASKA**

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association is a regional Alaska Native non-profit corporation and a consortium of the 31 federally recognized tribes in the Bristol Bay Region; and

WHEREAS: In the recent past social problems in the Bristol Bay appear to have gotten worse, as measured by a high number of suicides and other deaths related to substance abuse; and

WHEREAS: In the past few months there have been several arrests for black tar heroin and methamphetamines in Bristol Bay, and anecdotal evidence suggests these arrests merely scratch the surface of a much bigger problem and that a trafficking route through Bristol Bay and up to the Kuskokwim region has developed by couriers who take small air taxis through the villages; and

WHEREAS: Although the State of Alaska has increased the number of VPSOs in rural Alaska and devoted some additional spending on domestic violence and sexual assault, there has been no particular focus on drugs and substance abuse, and the State Administration has relentlessly opposed tribal jurisdiction and tribal alternatives to the state justice system; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that BBNA urges the State of Alaska to step up its enforcement activities against dangerous drugs such as heroin and methamphetamines.

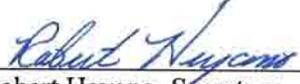
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Governor Parnell and the responsible agencies of the State of Alaska are urged to seek creative solutions and partnerships to reduce substance abuse, such as: using the "Choose Respect" initiative to bolster community

awareness; partnering with the rural air carriers and municipal governments in hub communities for better airport screening; and recognizing tribal authority and deferring appropriate cases, particularly juvenile cases, to the tribes.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, Inc. do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.


Robert Heyano, Secretary

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By the Full Board of Directors

Resolution 2013-18

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TRIBAL CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK PROCESS FOR HEAD START EMPLOYEES AND CERTAIN OTHER POSITIONS AT BBNA

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association is a regional Alaska Native tribal consortium of 31 federally recognized tribes in the Bristol Bay Region; and

WHEREAS: BBNA operates several programs providing services to children and families in which BBNA is required by the funding agencies to conduct criminal background checks on employees who come into contact with children; such background checks are an essential management tool to protect BBNA and its clients in any program serving children or vulnerable adults; and

WHEREAS: Although BBNA has always conducted appropriate criminal background checks for employees in sensitive positions, the BBNA Board of Directors finds it in the best interests of the organization to formally establish a tribal background check process for the Head Start program and for such other program employees where some other specific process is not set by the funding agency;

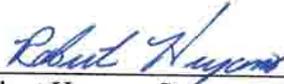
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it hereby adopts the attached Head Start Criminal Records Check Procedure for its Head Start employees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the process described in the attached Head Start Criminal Records Check Procedure is adopted as BBNA's tribal criminal background check process for Head Start employees and for such other positions involving children at BBNA where specific procedures are not specifically mandated by the funding agency.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, Inc. do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.



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By the Full Board of Directors

Resolution 2013-19

A RESOLUTION HONORING HJALMAR "OFI" OLSON

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association is a regional Alaska Native tribal consortium of 31 federally recognized tribes in the Bristol Bay Region; and

WHEREAS: Hjalmar "Ofi" Olson of Dillingham is retiring this year after many years of service on the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC); and

WHEREAS: Ofi was one of the founders of BBNC, serving on its board since 1974, and serving sixteen years as BBNC's President & CEO, leading its growth into one of the most successful, stable, and culturally responsible regional ANCSA corporations; and

WHEREAS: Additionally Ofi served for many years as an at-large director of BBNA, and has served on many other boards and committees serving the Bristol Bay region and state; and

WHEREAS: Throughout his many years of service, Ofi has provided wise, thoughtful, and public spirited leadership for the Bristol Bay Region;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it hereby honors Hjalmar "Ofi" Olson and profoundly thanks him for his many years of service to Bristol Bay.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, Inc. do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.


Robert Heyano, Secretary

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**Resolution 2013-20
by
The Full Board of Directors**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A COMPETITIVE GRANT APPLICATION
FOR THE PERIOD FY 2014-FY 2018 FOR VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION
SERVICES**

WHEREAS: The Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is providing Vocational Rehabilitation Services to eligible Alaskan Natives under a Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration "Section 121" grant; and

WHEREAS: Vocational Rehabilitation involves a long-term commitment to providing quality, culturally sensitive, effective services; and

WHEREAS: BBNA's current Section 121 Vocational Rehabilitation grant ends in FY 2013, but BBNA is eligible for another competitive grant for the period FY 2014 through FY 2018;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Bristol Bay Native Association Board of Directors authorizes BBNA management and staff to apply for a five-year Vocational Rehabilitation "Section 121" grant from the Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration, for a project period commencing in FY 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the BBNA Board of Directors urges the U.S. Department of Education to fund BBNA's Section 121 grant at the requested level of funds in order to continue delivery of culturally sensitive, quality services.

Signed: *Fred T. Angasan*
Fred T. Angasan, Chairman

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting this 24th day of September, 2013 and that a quorum was present.

Signed: *Robert Heyano*
Robert Heyano, Secretary

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By the Full Board of Directors

Resolution 2013-21

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING SUPPORT FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA FOR THE KANAKANAK WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT AT THE CRITICAL ACCESS KANAKANAK HOSPITAL IN DILLINGHAM, ALASKA.

- WHEREAS: BBAHC's Kanakanak Hospital is a 16-bed facility providing 24-hour medical, pediatric and obstetrical care and is fully accredited by the Joint Commission as a Critical Access Hospital; and
- WHEREAS: The Out-Patient clinic at Kanakanak Hospital is also designated as a Community Health Center by the Health and Resources Services Administration (HRSA); and
- WHEREAS: The hospital's water supply is independent from any municipal resources since the City of Dillingham only has the capacity to supply water to the immediate city hub located over 7 miles away; and
- WHEREAS: BBAHC operates a Class A public water system that consists of two groundwater wells, a water treatment plant, a 200,000 gallon bolted steel tank and water distribution system to serve the hospital, residential houses and other buildings on campus; and
- WHEREAS: The Kanakanak Water Treatment Plant is necessary to address the lack of emergency provisions for domestic water supply in the event of failure of an outdated (over 60 years old) and inefficient water treatment plant and to comply with Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation requirements for handling discharge of arsenic-laden backwash water; and
- WHEREAS: The existing water storage tank has insufficient capacity for fire protection, domestic water use, emergency storage, and water for treatment process operations (filter backwash and fire pump testing); and
- WHEREAS: Phase 1 of the Kanakanak Water Treatment Plant Upgrades Project has a cost estimate of \$1,904,206; and

WHEREAS: BBAHC anticipates \$841,538 in funding from Indian Health Service by way of the Maintenance and Improvement Resource Allocation Committee (MIRAC), administered by the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium – Department of Health and Engineering (ANTHC-DEHE), and BBAHC has \$414,488 budgeted and committed for the project; and

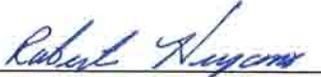
WHEREAS: The remaining funds needed for this public facility project totals \$648,180.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association that it hereby requests a legislative appropriation from the State of Alaska in the amount of \$648,180 for the Kanakanak Water Treatment Project.


Fred T. Angasan, Chairman

CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Bristol Bay Native Association, Inc. do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was passed by the Full Board of Directors of the Bristol Bay Native Association at a duly called and noticed meeting on the 24th day of September, 2013, and that a quorum was present.


Robert Heyano, Secretary