



# NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

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### RESOLUTION #MSH-01-010

#### **Title: Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Committee Re-Appointments**

**WHEREAS**, we, the members of the National Congress of American Indians of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants the inherent sovereign rights of our Indian nations, rights secured under Indian treaties and agreements with the United States, and all other rights and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and Constitution of the United States, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise promote the welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) was established in 1944 and is the oldest, largest, and most representative national American Indian and Alaska Native tribal government organization; and

**WHEREAS**, NCAI supports the re-appointment of American Indians who are currently serving as State Committee members for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Farm Service Agency (FSA) for the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and Montana; and

**WHEREAS**, NCAI considers the re-appointments vital in the continuance of projects and activities started within the various states and throughout the Indian Nations in the Northwest; and

**WHEREAS**, these political appointees are instrumental in providing valuable communication and information to the Indian Nations and the Farm Service Agency; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that NCAI does hereby support the political reappointment of FSA State Committee members for the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Montana.

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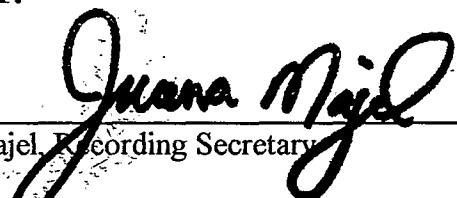
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**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2001 Mid-Year Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held at Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Connecticut on May 13-16, 2001, with a quorum present.

  
Susan Masten, President

**ATTEST:**

  
Juana Majel, Recording Secretary

Adopted by the General Assembly during the 2001 Mid-Year Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held in Mashantucket, Connecticut on May 13-16, 2001.