

**31st NATIONAL INDIAN & NATIVE AMERICAN
EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CONFERENCE**

Albuquerque, New Mexico

April 29, 2010

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2010 - 01

LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN TO PRESIDENT OBAMA

We, the Indian and Native American Grantees of the National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference (NINAETC) attending the 31th Annual Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico, 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 American Indian, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian Workforce Investment Act, Section 166 Grantees hereby declare a National Writing Campaign to President Obama from its customers; **and**

WHEREAS, we wish to inform President Obama of the importance and positive impact that the Indian and Native American Program has on employment and training activities; **and**

WHEREAS, to bring additional awareness to the need to develop more fully the academic, occupational, and literacy skills to make Indian and Native Americans more competitive in the workforce; **and**

WHEREAS, to promote the economic and social development of Indian and Native American communities in accordance with the goals and values of such communities; **and**

WHEREAS, to re-emphasize that Indian and Native American Program (WIA, Section 166) grantees have equal access to Green Job Training and training for our Veterans; **now**

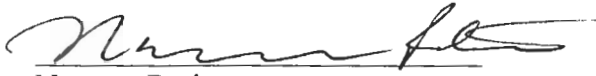
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 31st National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference urge that through this letter writing campaign reaffirm all programs funded by the US-DOL and operated by Section 166 and PL 102-477 Grantees be administered in a manner consistent with the principles of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.) and the government-to-government relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribal governments, whether on or off tribal land; **and**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, the attendees of the 31st National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference, agree to encourage our clients to write letters prior to June 30, 2010 describing the impact of these programs on their lives; **and**

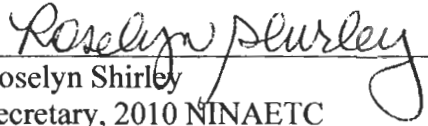
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Native American Employment and Training Council be urged to support the Grantees and to advise the Secretary of the US-DOL of the Grantees' position on this issue.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 31st Annual National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference, held at the Marriot Hotel, Albuquerque, New Mexico, on April 29, 2010 with a quorum present.



Norman Ration
Chairman, 2010 NINAETC



Roselyn Shirley
Secretary, 2010 NINAETC