

RESOLUTION 2023-02

TITLE: A RESOLUTION REGARDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE INDIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT

WHEREAS, the Northwest Indian Housing Association (NWIHA) represents forty Indian Housing Authorities, Tribally Designated Housing Entities, and Tribal Housing Programs and Departments in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, and Annette Island, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Mission of NWIHA is to promote safe, sanitary, decent, and affordable housing for Tribal members in the Pacific Northwest, which it accomplishes by providing training and education opportunities; providing a forum for the discussion and resolution of issues; advocating for the collective benefit of all members; effectively linking members to information and financial resources; and working collaboratively with its industry partners; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) affirms and supports tribal self-determination in meeting the housing needs of low-income tribal members; and

WHEREAS, funding for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) has not kept pace with inflation since enactment of NAHASDA; and

WHEREAS, the lack of inflationary adjustment to IHBG funding since the enactment of NAHASDA has contributed to the stagnation of affordable housing development in Indian Country, resulting in growing waiting lists; and

WHEREAS, the National American Indian Housing Council has calculated the need to increase IHBG funding to \$1,642,000,000 in its FY 2024 budget analysis.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the membership of the NWIHA supports and encourages the United States Congress to increase the IHBG to \$1,642,000,000 under title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4111 et seq.) and increase the Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant to \$20,000,000.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at the Northwest Indian Housing Association held in Canyonville, Oregon, on April 11, 2023 with the required quorum present, and the Executive Committee was authorized by the NWIHA membership to forward the Resolution to be presented to the National American Indian Housing Council.

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	Laurie Ann Cloud, Chairwoman	
ATTEST:		
	Diana Phair, Secretary	