



BEAR RIVER BAND of ROHNERVILLE RANCHERIA



RESOLUTION 13-102

A RESOLUTION BY THE BEAR RIVER BAND OF ROHNERVILLE RANCHERIA'S TRIBAL COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE COMPLAINT BEING FILED WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS AGAINST THE LOLETA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR CONTINUING RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, INCLUDING DISPARATE TREATMENT AND HARASSMENT OF NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS ON BEHALF OF THE WIYOT TRIBE.

WHEREAS, the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria ("Tribe") is a federally-recognized Indian tribe with all of the rights and privileges afforded thereto; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is the governing body of the Tribe under the authority of the Constitution of the Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, Article VIII, section 1 of the Constitution vests the Tribal Council with the authority to take actions necessary for the welfare of the Tribe and its members; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribe recognizes that our youth are our future, and that the quality of education received by our children, as well as the conduct of authority figures, has a significant impact on our children's growth and development; and,

WHEREAS, we expect that our children will be given the opportunity to receive a fair and appropriate public education; and,

WHEREAS, it has come to our attention that Native students may be subject to racially disproportionate discipline, racial harassment, and discrimination against students with disabilities within Loleta Union School District; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is additionally aware of many individual complaints of inappropriate discipline, harassment, and denial of services to students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has reviewed the complaint being filed with the U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights of behalf of the Wiyot Tribe.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to the above sections of the Constitution, the Tribal Council hereby supports the complaint being filed with the U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights on behalf of the Wiyot Tribe; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson is hereby authorized to sign and Members of the Council to attest all necessary documents to provide such support; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above signatory powers are in full force and effect until specifically revoked by a duly adopted resolution of the Tribal Council.

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This is to certify that the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council duly assembled in Loleta, CA adopted the foregoing Resolution on December 16, 2013 by a vote of 5 in FAVOR, 1 OPPOSED, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT.

Attested by: 
William Sand, Tribal Chairperson

12-17-13
Date


Dakota McGinnis, Vice Chairperson

12/17/13
Date