

Native American Fish and Wildlife Society

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National Summer Youth Practicum Native American Fish & Wildlife Society RESOLUTION 2018 BIA Tribal Youth Initiative Funding

Resolution No. 17-003

It is hereby resolved at a duly assembled Board of Directors of the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society representing membership of 7 regions on December 10, 2017 at 1:00 PM. Multipurpose sayeth:

WHEREAS, the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society ("NAFWS") was established in recognition of the importance and respect accorded to fish and wildlife by Native American people; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS is composed of Indian Tribes, organizations and people as well as federal and state agency representatives forming "a national Native American organization to aid in the development and protection of Native American fish and wildlife resources"; and

WHEREAS, the tribes in all regions (Alaska region, Pacific region, Southwest region, Great Plains region, Great Lakes region, Northeast region and Southeast region) are committed to teaching high school students who are affiliated with a tribe in the United States to teach the importance of their lands, fish, wildlife and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society has held a youth practicum for 26 years that has allowed hundreds of youth to participate and learn about natural resources; the practicums provide an outlet for the youth to interact with students from other tribes and get hands on and classroom experience in dealing with fish, insects, forests, range lands, wildlife, traditional knowledge and other resources that are important to tribes; and

WHEREAS, the funding would allow the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society Pacific region to conduct the 27th annual Summer Youth Practicum at Squaxin Island Tribe a location within the region; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds being requested are under the 2018 BIA Youth Initiative Funding; and

WHEREAS, the grant will be administered by the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society National Office and done in accordance with required grant goals and objectives; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Native American Fish & Wildlife hereby supports the NAFWS Summer Youth Practicum in their request for a grant of \$48,000.00 for the NAFWS Summer Youth Practicum; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution authorizes the application of such grant funding to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

Certification

This resolution was enacted by the affirmative vote of the Board of Directors of the Native American Fish & Wildlife at a teleconference held on Saturday December 9, 2017. The vote is 9 voting in favor, 0 voting against and 0 board members abstaining.

Dated this 9 Day of December 2017.

Donald Reiter, President

Native American Fish & Wildlife Society

Attest:

Elveda Martinez, Secretary/Treasurer

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