

## NATIVE AMERICAN FISH & WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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## Native American Fish & Wildlife Society RESOLUTION Title: Support for the Reduction of Carbon Dioxide Emissions

Resolution No. 19-006

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 NAFWS is dedicated "to the earth that begins with our own beginnings and pledge to our fellow creatures that cannot be broken"; and

WHEREAS, the US Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) Fourth National Climate Assessment (2018) reported that global temperatures are increasing; and

WHEREAS, the Tribes in the NAFWS are concerned about the adverse effects that global warming and climate change are having on the earth, on her fish, wildlife, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS acknowledges that this increase in global temperatures is due to the increase in carbon dioxide emissions; and

WHEREAS, Tribes across the United States are experiencing unpredictable changes in climate, affecting the health and welfare of the earth and it's living organisms; and

WHEREAS, the United States government must take actions to seriously reduce carbon dioxide emissions by decreasing air pollution; and

WHEREAS, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) was established to promote, protect, and assist Tribes within the United States; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NAFWS hereby supports all of the efforts of the NCAI, through discussions and resolutions, to reduce carbon dioxide emissions in the United States to address climate change.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the NAFWS recommends the NCAI urge the current and future U.S. Presidential administrations to develop a national abatement program to reduce climate change pollution to protect the earth and its living organisms.

## Certification

Dated this 23rd day of May, 2019.

Donald Reiter, President

Native American Fish & Wildlife Society

Attest:

Mitzi Reed, Secretary/Treasurer

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