

APRIL 2007 CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE

JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION NO. JAR07-03

INTRODUCED BY CARL E. VENNE, CHAIRMAN
CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH

JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE
AND THE CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH ENTITLED:

**“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO
NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF A LOAN WITH THE APPROPRIATE
LENDING INSTITUTIONS FOR THE PURPOSES OF
CONSTRUCTING A TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, NEW
LEGISLATURE FACILITIES, AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE
COMPLETION OF ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION AT THE LITTLE
BIG HORN COLLEGE.”**

WHEREAS, the Crow Tribal Executive Branch Administration has been housed in the old Crow Agency Hospital and is now in need of additional space to accommodate the growing number of programs, executive branch agencies and personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Crow Tribal Executive Branch Administration would like to pursue constructing an Administration building at a cost not to exceed \$10 million dollars with sufficient space to accommodate the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Crow Tribal Executive Branch anticipates that the Bureau of Indian Affairs would lease space from the Crow Tribe and that such lease payments will assist with servicing debt incurred to construct the new Administration building; and

WHEREAS, the Crow Tribal Legislature needs a better meeting facility in addition to archival storage facilities commensurate with its importance as an institution of tribal government, which facilities could be in a separate new building or in a separate wing of the new Tribal Administration building; and

WHEREAS, the Little Big Horn College is in a financial shortfall to continue on-going building construction and has requested assistance from the Executive Branch in the amount of \$3 million dollars; and



WHEREAS, the Crow Tribal Executive Branch has agreed to provide financial assistance to the Little Big Horn College in an effort to benefit its students and Crow Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, interest income from the 107th Boundary Settlement Fund is available to collateralize the loan and provide sufficient debt service as remaining balances on previous Crow Tribal loans utilizing the 107th fund interest income have been significantly reduced;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE AND THE CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH:

1. That the Crow Tribal Legislative and Executive Branches of the Crow Tribal Government agree to pursue a loan for the purposes of constructing a new Crow Tribal Administration Building including facilities for the Legislative Branch or as a separate building and to complete on-going construction at the Little Big Horn College; and

2. That the Executive Branch is hereby authorized to negotiate terms of the loan with the appropriate lending institutions seeking the most beneficial to the Tribe loan terms and upon finalization of the terms, that the Executive Branch will present the loan agreement not to exceed \$13 million to the Crow Legislature for final ratification. Additional, alternatives to the need for a loan for the proposed facilities shall be thoroughly reviewed, summarized and reported on to the Crow Legislature. This legislation does not authorize any form of commitment for or by the Tribe as to the contemplated loan.

3. That the Executive Branch will provide regular progress reports including architectural designs, and copies of draft loan documents, and other pertinent information prior to finalizing loan, and all such information and final loan documents shall be provided to the Legislature before the Executive seeks the Legislature's final approval for the loan. The Legislature will be involved in the design of the new Legislature facilities and have final approval of such design.

4. All programs/departments currently funded from the 107th Boundary Settlement Fund shall not be abolished and/or diminish funding allocated, due to the loan payment.

5. That the final loan documents and/or approval resolution shall include provisions to ensure that the borrowed funds are only used for the intended and authorized purposes.

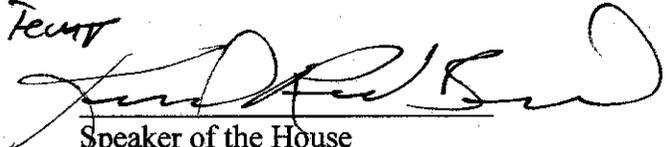
6. That the Legislature will be involved in the design of the new Legislature facilities and have final approval of such design.



CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Joint Action Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF A LOAN WITH THE APPROPRIATE LENDING INSTITUTIONS FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONSTRUCTING A TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, NEW LEGISLATURE FACILITIES, AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE COMPLETION OF ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION AT THE LITTLE BIG HORN COLLEGE" was duly enacted by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 15 in favor 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining and that a quorum was present on this 13TH day of April, 2007.

Pro Temp



Speaker of the House
Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:



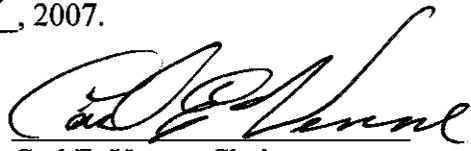
Secretary
Crow Tribal Legislature

CROW LEGISLATIVE BRANCH (SEAL)

EXECUTIVE ACTION

I hereby
✓ approve or
 veto.

This Joint Action Resolution for "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF A LOAN WITH THE APPROPRIATE LENDING INSTITUTIONS FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONSTRUCTING A TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, NEW LEGISLATURE FACILITIES, AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE COMPLETION OF ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION AT THE LITTLE BIG HORN COLLEGE" pursuant to the authority vested in the Chairman of the Crow Tribe by Article V, Section 8 of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe or Indians, on this 13 day of APRIL, 2007.



Carl E. Venne, Chairman
Crow Tribal Executive Branch



Bill or Resolution Number JAR 07-03 Introduced by Executive Date of Vote April 13, 2007
 Branch

| Representative: | Yes | No | Abstained |
|--|-----|----|-----------|
| L. Plain Bull | ✓ | | |
| O. Costa | | | |
| V. Crooked Arm | ✓ | | |
| M. Not Afraid | ✓ | | |
| R. Iron | ✓ | | |
| B. House | ✓ | | |
| E. Fighter | ✓ | | |
| L. Costa | ✓ | | |
| L. Hogan | ✓ | | |
| S. Fitzpatrick | ✓ | | |
| K. Real Bird | ✓ | | |
| M. Covers Up | ✓ | | |
| L. Not Afraid | ✓ | | |
| B. Shane | ✓ | | |
| J. Stone | | | |
| D. Wilson | ✓ | | |
| R. Old Crow <i>Secretary of the House</i> | ✓ | | |
| D. Goes Ahead <i>Speaker of the House</i> | | | |
| Totals: | 15 | 0 | 0 |

Result of Vote:

Passed Not Passed Tabled Veto Override

Speaker Pro Temp

Signature Officer: _____

Date: _____

April 13, 2007





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Oliver Costa
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Speaker of the House

Big Horn:

Valley of the Give Away

Vincent Crooked Arm
Marlin D. Not Afraid
Ralph Iron, Jr.

Dunmore:

Black Lodge

Bruce R. House
Ertis Fighter, Sr.
Larry Costa

Reno:

Center Lodge

Lloyd Hogan, Jr.
Sidney Fitzpatrick, Jr.
Kennard Real Bird

Lodge Grass:

Valley of the Chief

Manuel Covers Up, Sr.
Rudolph K. Old Crow
Secretary of the House
Leroy Not Afraid

Wyola:

Mighty Few

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J.D. Stone,
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Kenny Pretty On Top
Maintenance/Custodian

Ronald Arneson, Esq.,
Attorney At Law

OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF DELIVERY

I, Rudolph K. Old Crow, Secretary of the Legislative Branch of the Crow Tribal Government hereby this Transitional Action do deliver a True and Correct Official copy Of the Final Approval for the following Bill:

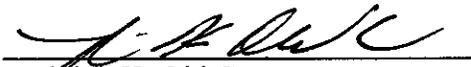
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HORN COLLEGE.”

Bill No. JAR07-03 to Mr. C. Watt Wilton L. Watt in the
Position of: Executive Attorney for the
Crow Tribal Executive Branch.

Done and dated this 23rd day of April, 2007 @ 1:30 a.m./p.m.


Rudolph K. Old Crow
Secretary of the House
Legislative Branch of the
Crow Tribal Government

Served by:


Legislative Branch Staff

Cc: file

