

**MAY 2010 SPECIAL SESSION**

**CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE**

**JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION NO. JAR 10-09**

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

**“IN SUPPORT OF THE STUDY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL  
HERITAGE AREA ON THE CROW INDIAN RESERVATION AND REQUEST FOR  
ACTION FROM MONTANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION”**

**WHEREAS**, the National Park Service has established a program setting aside funding and technical assistance for the establishment of National Heritage Areas; and

**WHEREAS**, a National Heritage Area is a place where natural, cultural, historic and scenic resources combine to form a cohesive, nationally important landscape arising from patterns of human activity shaped by geography and as such, a National Heritage Area represents the national experience through the physical features that remain and the traditions that have evolved in them; and

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Indian Reservation is an important area for economic, cultural, historical, and geological features, as it contains the site of the Battle of the Little Big Horn; the Yellowtail Dam and Lake; a portion of the Bozeman Trail; the site of Crow Fair, the Tepee Capital of the World; the blue-ribbon fishery of the Big Horn River; numerous additional sites of historic Native American battles; and other geographic features and sites of events of historical significance to the Crow Tribe, as well as the general public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Indian Reservation contains numerous significant historical sites of local and national importance and interest; and

**WHEREAS**, the Crow Indian Reservation contains numerous and outstanding opportunities for outdoor recreation and cultural education; and

**WHEREAS**, the interests of residents and citizens of the Crow Nation would be served by comprehensive management and interpretation of the various cultural and recreational resources within the boundaries of the Crow Indian Reservation; and

**WHEREAS**, the youth of the Crow Nation would be served by opportunities to learn about and take pride in their cultural heritage and their ancestors' history on the lands now encompassed by the Crow Indian Reservation; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning in 1984, National Heritage Areas were created by the United States Congress as a new way for a region, through collaboration and partnerships, to conserve and promote its natural, cultural, and historic resources; and

**WHEREAS**, National Heritage Areas provide a unique way to link the mutually supporting goals of resource conservation, tourism, economic development, and education; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of a National Heritage Area will not require or impose any regulatory restrictions on private or tribal lands or property; nor will it impose any land use requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, a National Heritage Area is not managed by the National Park Service, involves no land acquisition or land management by the federal government, and local authority and private property are not affected;

**WHEREAS**, the first step to establishment of a National Heritage Area is a resolution of support, followed by a request for legislation from the Montana Congressional Delegation and commissioning of a study by the National Park Service on the feasibility of the area proposed;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES** that these branches of the Crow Tribal government support the commissioning of a study on the feasibility and suitability of designation of the Crow Indian Reservation as a National Heritage Area.

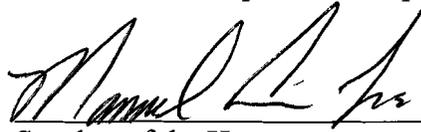
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

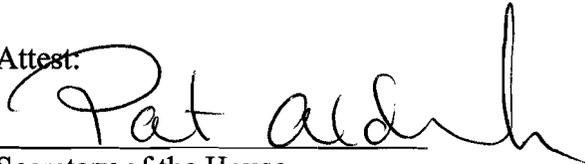
That the Crow Tribal Executive Branch shall provide to the Crow Tribal Legislative Branch any and all substantial information and written correspondence specifically related to this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Crow Tribe requests that U.S. Senators Baucus and Tester and U.S. House Representative Rehberg work on draft legislation to establish a National Heritage Area encompassing the boundaries of the current Crow Indian Reservation.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this Joint Action Resolution "IN SUPPORT OF THE STUDY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA ON THE CROW INDIAN RESERVATION AND REQUEST FOR ACTION FROM MONTANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION" was duly approved by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained and that a quorum was present on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2010.

  
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Speaker of the House  
Legislative Branch, Crow Tribe

Attest:  
  
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Secretary of the House  
Legislative Branch, Crow Tribe



**EXECUTIVE ACTION**

I hereby X (approve), \_\_\_\_\_ (veto) this Joint Action Resolution "IN SUPPORT OF THE STUDY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA ON THE CROW INDIAN RESERVATION AND REQUEST FOR ACTION FROM MONTANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION" 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 of Indians.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010.

  
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Cedric Black Eagle, Chairman  
Executive Branch, Crow Tribe

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**Bill or Resolution:** JAR10-09 **Introduced by:** Executive Branch & Legislative Branch **Date of Vote:** May 28, 2010  
**Number**

<u>Representative:</u>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstained</b>
H. Two Leggins	_____	_____	_____
V. Pretty Paint	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
C. J. Stewart	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
K. Shane	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
S. Backbone	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
O. Half, Jr.	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
W. Plainfeather	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
R. Old Crow, Sr.	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
M. Not Afraid	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
V. Crooked Arm	_____	_____	_____
L. DeCrane	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
C. Goes Ahead	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
B. Hugs	_____	_____	_____
G. Real Bird, Jr.	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
M. Backbone	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
D. Wilson	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
P. Alden, Jr. <i>Secretary of the House</i>	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
M. Covers Up, Sr. <i>Speaker of the House</i>	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____
<b>Totals:</b>	<u>  15  </u>	<u>    0    </u>	<u>    0    </u>

Result of Vote:

**Passed**

**Not Passed**

**Tabled**

**Veto-Override**

  
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**Senator Manuel Covers Up, Sr.**      **Date**  
**Speaker of the House**

 5-28-10  
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**Senator Pat Alden, Jr.**      **Date**  
**Secretary of the House**