

RESOLUTION OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE
(An Unincorporated Tribe)

RESOLUTION OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE AUTHORIZING THE CENTER FOR NATIVE ORAL HEALTH RESEARCH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO TO ENGAGE IN A RESEARCH PROJECT, WHEREIN 1-3 PINE RIDGE RESERVATION COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE TRAINED AS DENTAL THERAPISTS TO ADDRESS BASIC RESTORATIVE AND PREVENTATIVE DENTAL NEEDS FOR RESERVATION RESIDENTS, AND STUDIED TO DETERMINE IF THEIR WORK ON THE RESERVATION TO IMPROVE THE ORAL HEALTH OF CHILDREN 0-21.

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe has adopted its Constitution and By-Laws by referendum vote on December 10, 1935, in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 (25 U.S.C. § 476), and under Article III of the Oglala Sioux Tribe Constitution, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe is primarily responsible for monitoring and promoting the health needs and concerns of our tribal members, and

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe desires optimal health and oral health for our people through disease prevention and early intervention, and

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe seeks to collaborate with the Center for Native Oral Health Research at the University of Colorado to evaluate methods for increasing access to regular dental care to reduce oral disease, and

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe wishes to receive tribal-specific data to inform the development of tribal policies that aim to increase access to restorative and preventative oral health care and reduce oral disease, and

WHEREAS, untreated tooth decay was observed in 84% of Oglala Lakota children and smokeless tobacco use has been reported to be high in reservation children, and

WHEREAS, Dental Therapists have been shown to be effective in two (2) studies in Alaska and many international studies, now

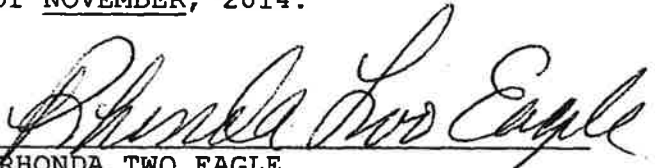
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council authorizes the Native Oral Health Research at the University of Colorado to engage in a research project, wherein 1-3 Pine Ridge Reservation community members are trained as Dental Therapists to address basic restorative and preventative dental needs for reservation residents, and studied to determine if their work on the reservation to improve the oral health of children 0-21, and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council supports the efforts of the University of Colorado to pursue funding for the "Lakota Dental Therapists" project.

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I, as the undersigned Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council, of the Oglala Sioux Tribe hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by a vote of: 13 For; 0 Against; 0 Abstain; and 1 Not Voting; during a REGULAR SESSION held on the 25TH day of NOVEMBER, 2014.


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Secretary
Oglala Sioux Tribe

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BRYAN V. BREWER
President
Oglala Sioux Tribe

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