## RESOLUTION

## Amended No. <u>399-06</u> No. <u>388-05</u>

WHEREAS, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe is an unincorporated Tribe of Indians, having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, with the exception of Section 16; and the recognized governing body of the Tribe is known as the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council, pursuant to the amended Constitution of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Article IV, Section 1[a], and 1[c], is empowered to negotiate with Federal, State and local governments and others on behalf of the Tribe, is further empowered to promote and protect the health, education and general welfare of the members of the Tribe as may contribute to the social and economic advancement of the Tribe and its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service has proposed the implementation of an Administrative Funding Formula for Food Distribution Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed funding formula will eliminate the right of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and other Treaty Tribes and negotiate funding for Food Distribution Programs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed funding formula treats all Indian Food Distribution Programs in the same manner despite differences in Indirect Costs for each Indian Tribe, salary costs for Food Distribution Program staff, rural versus urban population patterns; and

WHEREAS, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Health, Education and Welfare Committee has recommended that the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council oppose any funding formula or methodology process with regard to the USDA Food Distribution Program, by resolution;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council adopts the recommendation of the Standing Rock HEW Committee and strongly opposes any proposed plan to reduce or eliminate the treaty obligation of the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services to negotiate funding for the Food Distribution Programs for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe on a government to government basis; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe also opposes the USDA's imposition of any funding formula or methodology without consultation and approval of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman and Secretary of the Tribal Council are hereby authorized and instructed to sign this resolution for and on behalf of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

## CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, Chairman and Secretary of the Tribal Council of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of  $\begin{bmatrix} 17 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$  of whom  $\_14$  constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting thereof, duly and regularly, called, noticed, convened and held on the  $\_3^{rd}$  day of AUGUST, 2006, and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of  $\_11$  members, with  $\_0$  opposing, and with  $\_3$  not voting. THE CHAIRMAN'S VOTE IS NOT REQUIRED EXCEPT, IN CASE OF TIE.

DATED THIS <u>3rd</u> DAY OF AUGUST, 2006.

ATTEST:

 Ron His Horse Is Thunder, Chairman Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

Geraldine Agard, Secretary

Standing Rock Sioux Tribe



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