

A RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CROW TRIBE OF INDIANS OF MONTANA TO RECONSIDER MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND CROW TRIBE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution #74-06 adopted on October 11, 1974 the Tribal Council stated that the conflicting provisions between the Final Draft of the Memorandum of Agreement between the National Park Service and the original Tribal Resolution, 67-59, are to be reconciled and resubmitted for final Tribal Council approval; and,

WHEREAS, the National Park Service has not respected the Tribe's request in 74-06 and has made very little good faith effort to negotiate conflicting provisions of the two different documents; and,

WHEREAS, there are 17,420 acres of Crow Tribal lands and 20,000 acres of allotted trust lands within the Crow Reservation that the National Park Service is attempting to include within the Big Horn Canyon Recreation Area, without the consent of the Crow Tribal Council, which is the proper authority in this matter; and,

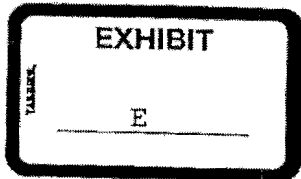
WHEREAS, the Park Service and various local non-Indian businessmen in cities and towns adjacent to the Crow Reservation desire to construct a paved highway through and across the Crow Tribal Big Horn Mountains, which are the historic and traditional hunting grounds of the Crow Tribe, and there are additional plans to construct a highway across the Pryor Mountains to connect with the Transpark Highway; and,

WHEREAS, it appears that the local non-Indian businessmen will again profit at the expense of the Crow Tribe of Indians, and furthermore jeopardize the Crow Tribe's exclusive right and jurisdiction to hunt, fish and occupy the Big Horn Mountains as guaranteed by the TREATY of 1868.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to ARTICLE I of the FT. LARAMIE TREATY of 1868, wherein it states the Crow Reservation,

"...shall be...set apart for the absolute and undisturbed use and occupation of the (Crow) Indians..."

that the Crow Tribal Council of the Crow Tribe of Indians, in an effort to provide for present and future protection and well-being of Tribal members, hereby directs the Tribal Officers and Tribal Attorneys to fully investigate all aspects of the Big Horn Recreation Area and to implement the following actions immediately and initiate any actions



1. ALL TRIBAL LANDS within the exterior boundaries of the CROW INDIAN RESERVATION proposed to be included within the BIG HORN CANYON RECREATION AREA are hereby withdrawn.
2. Any and all proposals, plans or requests by the NATIONAL PARK SERVICE and/or any person, firm or Corporation to obtain a right-of-way from the CROW TRIBE for construction of any Highway, roadway or access road across the Crow Indian Big Horn Mountains are hereby rejected and denied.
3. The Memorandum of Agreement dated December 1, 1967 as approved by then Interior Secretary Stewart Udall is invalid and not recognized by the Crow Tribal Council due to its conflicting provisions with the original Memoranda approved by the Tribal Council on May 20, 1967.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if the Tribal Officers and Attorneys find evidence of fraud or of any criminal intent or neglect by the Park Service, and Interior Department Agency or official or person, they are hereby authorized to take any actions necessary, including litigation and criminal prosecution, to protect the Crow Indian Big Horn Mountain Area and to preserve the Land base and jurisdiction of the Crow Tribe in this matter.

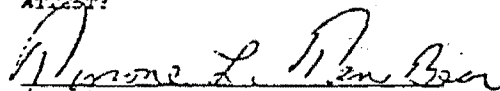
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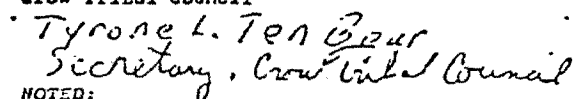
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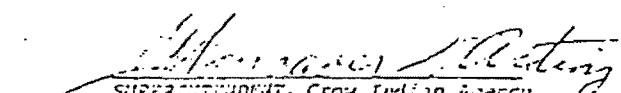

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ATTEST:


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NOTED:


 SUPERINTENDENT, Crow Indian Agency