

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

RESOLUTION OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL EDUCATION AGENCY AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENTS FROM THE OCETI SAKOWIN (COLLECTIVELY THE GREAT PLAINS TRIBAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT) REQUESTING THE RETURN OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION POSITION TO THE SOUTH DAKOTA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FROM THE SOUTH DAKOTA STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL RELATIONS OFFICE OF INDIAN EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Oglala Sioux Tribe were adopted by the Tribal membership and duly-approved on December 14, 1934 and the Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Constitution authorizes the Tribal Council, in Article IV, Section 1(w) to protect and promote the health and general welfare of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and its membership, and

WHEREAS, the education of tribal members relates directly to their health, safety, and welfare, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Indian Education has carried out his or her duties within the South Dakota State Department of Education until April 2019, when the State of South Dakota, ostensibly to "fill the gap" in educational achievement between Native and non-Native students, created the South Dakota State Department of Tribal Relations Office of Indian Education, and

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Agency does not believe that switching the Director of Indian Education from the State Department of Education to the newly-created Department of Tribal Relations Office of Indian Education is in the best interests of the Oglala Lakota students; now


THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Oglala Sioux Tribe does hereby support the Oglala Sioux Tribal Education Agency and the education departments from the Oceti Sakowin tribal schools (collectively the Great Plains Tribal Education Department) in their request to return the Director of Education position to the South Dakota State Department of Education from the South Dakota State Department of Tribal Relations Office of Indian Education.

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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: 17 For; 0 Against; 0 Abstain; and 2 Not Voting; during a REGULAR SESSION held on the 2ND day of SEPTEMBER, 2020.


JENNIFER SPOTTED BEAR
Secretary
Oglala Sioux Tribe

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THOMAS POOR BEAR
Vice-President
Oglala Sioux Tribe

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