

**RESOLUTION OF THE SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE COUNCIL
SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE
OF THE
SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE RESERVATION, NEVADA**

RESOLUTION NO.: SL -01 - 2024

**TITLE: RESOLUTION OF THE SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE
FOR SUPPORT OF THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF NEVADA
(ITCN) NTIA TBCP APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE SUMMIT
LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE**

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe (THE “Tribe”) is organized under the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Sta. 984) and a constitution approved by the Tribe on June 24, 1970, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IOV, Section 1 of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe (the “Constitution”), the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council (the “Tribal Council”) is the governing body of the Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 authorized the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), U.S. Department of Commerce, to make available the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program, as amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the Internet plays a vital and increasingly central role in how Americans work, study, obtain health care, and take part in our democracy. The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated the importance of ensuring that everyone in America has access to high-speed Internet service. Many Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities have inadequate access to the Internet and the unique opportunities that it offers. The causes of this inadequate access can involve living in areas that lack any high-speed Internet service, unreliable service speeds or quality, and service offerings that are prohibitively expensive; and

WHEREAS, President Biden has established the goal of providing affordable, reliable, high-speed Internet service to Native communities, as well as for all Americans. It is estimated that over 30 million Americans, including many who live on Tribal Lands and in rural America, lack even minimally adequate Internet access. The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to addressing this challenge, in path through its implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law; and

WHEREAS, the Act appropriated \$1 billion for the TBCP. The IIJA, which Congress passed with bipartisan support, subsequently appropriated an additional \$2 billion in new fundings for TBCP, bringing the total amount of funding for the TBCP to \$3 billion. Of this \$3 billion; and

WHEREAS, the second Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) has been posted with grant funds available to eligible Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian entities for broadband deployment on Tribal Lands, digital inclusion efforts (which may include digital equity planning and workforce development), telehealth, and distant learning. With a deadline of January 23, 2023.

WHEREAS, ITCN, in coordination with its member Tribes, had previously applied under the first NTIA TBCP NOFO and was awarded approximately \$19 million on behalf of the participating Tribes for broadband infrastructure.

WHEREAS, ITCN intends on submitting and applying for the second round of funds, and include ITCN consortium member Tribes who have previously been awarded under the Adoption and Use, or submit on behalf of Tribes who did not apply or were not awarded for both Infrastructure and/or Adoption and Use, and

WHEREAS, ITCN is seeking approval of the Summit Lake Paiute to support the submission of the second round of the ITCN NTIA TBCP grant funding on behalf of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe, including any of the 28 Member Tribes under the consortium in the state of Nevada.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE TRIBAL COUNCIL hereby agrees to support ITCN in the process of applying for funding for the NTIA TBCP grant funding. The Council also permits ITCN to include the name of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe in its application documents as a supporting Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council hereby authorized the Tribal Chairperson, or designee, to execute such necessary documentation to accomplish the support referred to above.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe will assist ITCN in successful submission of the ITCN NTIA TBCP application and provide any necessary data, information, or other documents needed to complete a successful application.

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I, **Eugene Mace Sr., Secretary/Treasurer**, of the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby certify that the above Resolution No. **SL-01-2024** was brought before the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council at a duly held meeting on the **20th Day of January, 2024** with 5 members of the Tribal Council present, constituting a quorum, with the following votes to enact Resolution No. **SL-01-2024; 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, and 0 ABSTAINING**; with Tribal Chairwoman Randi Lone Eagle presiding and not voting, this Resolution has not been rescinded, revoked or amended.

January 20, 2024

Date

Eugene Mace

Eugene Mace Sr., Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Tribal Council