



Walker River Paiute Tribe

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**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE
WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE
RESOLUTION NO. WR- 22-2020**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE THAT:

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Walker River Paiute Tribe (“Tribe”) is organized under the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of June, 1934, as amended, to exercise certain rights of home rule and to be responsible for the promotion of the economic and social welfare of its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has retained the firm of the Law Offices of Wes Williams Jr., A.P.C., to represent the Tribe’s interests in litigation as well as in settlement negotiations and issues affecting the Tribe’s water and other related claims in the Walker River Basin; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe requires financial assistance from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to pay for the services of the Law Offices of Wes Williams Jr., A.P.C. to act as such “water attorney”; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has prepared a request for attorney’s fees funding and litigation support in connection with pending litigation and settlement negotiations and issues for Fiscal Year 2020 in which it demonstrates the need for assistance from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to pay for the services of such water attorney; and

NOWHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council hereby approves the *Request by the Walker River Paiute Tribe for Attorney’s Fees Funding and Litigation Support in Connection with Current Pending Litigation and Negotiations for Fiscal Year 2020*, attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that that the Tribe requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs approve the request for attorney’s fees, in the amount of \$538,200.00, for Fiscal Year 2020, as the Tribe is in a critical phase of dealing with litigation, settlement and related water issues; and

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman, Vice-Chairman or designated representative of the Walker River Paiute Tribe to execute this Resolution, and the authority of this Resolution shall remain in effect until such time as it is amended or vacated.

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certified that the foregoing resolution of the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council of the Walker River Paiute Tribe composed of seven members of whom 4 constituting a quorum adopted the foregoing resolution on the 18th day of February, 2020 by the affirmative vote of 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, and 0 ABSTENTIONS; pursuant to the authority contained in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Walker River Paiute Tribe of Nevada.


Gina Wachsmuth, Tribal Council Secretary
WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE

