HUALAPAI TRIBAL COUNCIL
RESOLUTION NO. 31-2020
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
HUALAPAI TRIBE OF THE HUALPAI RESOLUTION

A Resolution Authorizing the Nation to Add the Aid to Tribal Government Program to the Nation's Master Contract No. A09AV00207 with the Bureau of Indian Affairs under P.L. 93-638

WHEREAS: The Hualapai Tribal Council ("Council") is authorized to represent the Hualapai Nation ("Nation") and act on all matters that concern the health and welfare of the Nation, and to make decisions not inconsistent with or contrary to the Constitution of the Hualapai Tribe ("Constitution") as provided under Article V of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Council, as the legislative body of the Nation, is authorized to enact laws, ordinances and resolutions incidental to the exercise of its legislative powers as provided under Article V of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Council is authorized to negotiate, enter, and perform contracts and agreements with Federal, State and local governments and to accept grants and donations from any person, organization, state, or the United States as provided under Article V, respectively, of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS: The Nation currently has a Master Contract No. A09AV00207 with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), in accordance with the authorizations and requirements of P.L. 93-638, which includes the following programs administered by the Nation: (1) Social Services (including General Assistance), (2) Tribal Court, (3) Indian Child Welfare Act ("ICWA"), and (4) Roads Maintenance; and

WHEREAS: In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, Congress adopted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), P.L. No. 116-136, which authorizes $453 million in additional direct appropriations resources for COVID-19 response activities through the BIA, of which $380 million will be distributed to tribes based on enrollment data through the Aid to Tribal Government Program; and

WHEREAS: The CARES Act funding is one-time, non-recurring, non-base funds to be used for the purposes of prevention, preparedness, and response to COVID-19 and must be used within the allowable confines of the program, function, service, or activity (PFSA) in which they are received; and

WHEREAS: The Nation is facing extremely serious and detrimental financial impacts from the COVID-19 public health emergency, including ongoing closure of Grand Canyon Resort Corporation, and impacts to the Nation's governmental operations; and
WHEREAS: The Council has determined it to be in the Nation’s best interest to add the Aid to Tribal Government Program to the Nation’s Master Contract No. A09AV00207 with the BIA in order to access the $843,965.00 in CARES Act funding allocated to the Nation through the BIA.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hualapai Tribal Council, in Council assembled, at which a quorum is present, hereby authorizes the Nation to request BIA to add the Aid to Tribal Government Program to the Nation’s Master Contract No. A09AV00207 with the BIA under P.L. 93-638 in order to access the $843,965.00 in CARES Act funding allocated to the Nation through the BIA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Nation will operate the Aid to Tribal Government Program by utilizing its allocation of the CARES Act funding for the purposes of prevention, preparedness, and response to COVID-19.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Nation to receive and expend the funds in accordance with the funding requirements and the Nation’s financial policies.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, or either of them, are hereby authorized to take such further action as deemed necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned as Chairman of the Hualapai Tribal Council hereby certify that the Hualapai Tribal Council of the Hualapai Tribe is composed of nine (9) members of whom six (6) constituting a quorum were present at a Special Council Meeting thereof held on this 23rd day of April, 2020; and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of (6) approve, (0) opposed, (1) not voting, (2) excused, pursuant to the authority of Article V, Section (a) of the Constitution of the Hualapai Tribe approved March 13, 1991.

Dr. Damon R. Clarke, Chairman
Hualapai Tribal Council

ATTEST:
Shanna Salazar, Assistant
Hualapai Tribal Council