



COALITION OF LARGE TRIBES

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Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe • Spirit Lake Nation • Spokane Tribe Standing Rock Sioux Tribe • Ute Indian Tribe
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Resolution: 08-16-2026 #1

Resolution to Reiterate Tribal Self-Determination and Delegation Authority for Housing

WHEREAS, the Coalition of Large Tribes (COLT) was formally established in early April 2011, and is comprised of Tribes with large land base, including the Blackfeet Nation, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation of Oregon, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, Crow Nation, Eastern Shoshone Tribe, Fort Belknap Indian Community, Hopi Tribe, Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation, Mescalero Apache Tribe, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Navajo Nation, Northern Arapaho Tribe, Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Rosebud Sioux Tribe, San Carlos Apache Tribe, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation, Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, Spirit Lake Nation, Spokane Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Ute Indian Tribe, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe and Walker River Paiute Tribe, and is Chaired by J. Garret Renville of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, COLT was organized to provide a unified advocacy base on all issues affecting Tribes that govern large trust land bases and that strive to ensure the most beneficial use of those lands for Tribes and individual Indian landowners; and

WHEREAS, COLT further advocates for legislative, regulatory, and policy reforms that impact large land base Tribes and our citizens; and

WHEREAS, COLT member tribes are unified to promote our sovereign rights to protect, enhance, control, utilize, and develop our respective land bases; and

WHEREAS, in Treaties, the United States pledged to protect Indian Tribes, guaranteed the right of Tribal self-government, protection, safety and economic development, and has undertaken a Trust responsibility to promote the viability of Indian reservations and lands as permanent homelands for Tribes. Our Treaties are binding contracts in perpetuity entered into in exchange for the lands that make our United States of America great; and



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WHEREAS, COLT member tribes operate tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) that receive funding through the Native American Housing and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA); and

WHEREAS, NAHASDA's primary purpose is to empower tribal self-determination by offering the flexibility to develop, maintain, and operate affordable housing to best fit the needs of each tribal community; and

WHEREAS, NAHASDA requires TDHEs to submit their certified Indian Housing Plan (IHP) each year, which outlines their program activities; and

WHEREAS, NAHASDA Section 4112(c) and 24 C.F.R. §1000.204 allows tribes to delegate IHP self-certification authority to its TDHEs; and

WHEREAS, the Hopi Tribe is a COLT Voting Member tribe and delegated its IHP certification authority to its TDHE in Ordinance 15, which the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has recognized since at least 2023; and

WHEREAS, in 2026 the HUD Southwest Office of Native American Programs now does not recognize the Hopi Tribe's authority to delegate IHP certification authority to its TDHE, without any changes in law; and

WHEREAS, COLT member tribes find that HUDs policy shift in not recognizing tribal delegation authority runs counter to our sovereign rights to protect, enhance, control, utilize, and develop our respective land bases.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Coalition of Large Tribes (COLT) hereby supports the Hopi Tribe, reiterates tribal sovereignty, and the tribes' authority to delegate IHP certification authority to TDHEs under NAHASDA;

and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be the policy of the Coalition of Large Tribes until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.



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CERTIFICATION

This resolution was approved at a duly-called meeting of the Coalition of Large Tribes held at the Southwestern Association for Indian Art in Santa Fe, New Mexico on August 16, 2026, at which a quorum was present, with the resolution approved unanimously.

Attest:

Signed by:

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J. Garret Renville, Chairman, Coalition of Large Tribes

Signed by:

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Lisa White Pipe, Secretary / Treasurer, Coalition of Large Tribes