



Picayune Rancheria
of the

CHUKCHANSI INDIANS

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RESOLUTION #2010-34

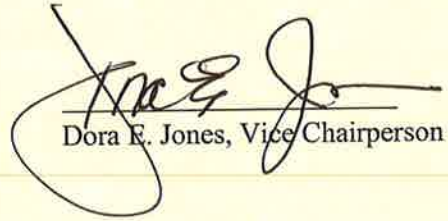
Requesting Federal Funding of Indian Housing Programs

- WHEREAS,** the Picayune Tribe of California is the federally recognized tribal government for 1022 enrolled tribal citizens in California; and
- WHEREAS,** Picayune Tribe of California is responsible for the health, safety, welfare and cultural preservation of its tribal citizens and their use of the Picayune Tribe traditional territory; and
- WHEREAS,** Picayune Tribe of California recognizes the extraordinary housing market conditions within its traditional territory as being inaccessible to most tribal citizens due to extremely high cost to rent or purchase a dwelling; and
- WHEREAS,** Picayune Tribe of California receives Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funding to address Tribal housing needs; and
- WHEREAS,** Picayune Tribe of California considers Federal support for housing for American Indian and Alaska Native's to be an essential program unique to the trust relationship between the Federal Government and Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** The National American Indian Housing Council proposed funding the IHBG program at \$875 million based upon American Indian and Alaska Native housing needs; and
- WHEREAS,** President Barack Obama, at a Tribal Nations Conference with Tribal Leaders on November 5, 2009 reiterated the importance of working together as partners to address the many ongoing challenges facing Indian Country. President Obama committed to greater tribal participation in the policy decisions that impact Tribes. President Obama in his presidential memorandum issued on November 5, 2009, recognized that "failure to include voices of tribal officials in formulating policy affecting their communities has all too often led to undesirable and, at times, devastating and tragic results"; and
- WHEREAS,** The FY 2011 President's proposed budget would result in a 17% reduction in IHBG funding from FY 2010 and is 34% less than the National American Indian Housing Council's proposed FY 2010 IHBG funding; and
- WHEREAS,** the cuts to the IHBG funding program, if approved, would have devastating and tragic results in Tribal communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council of the Picayune Rancheria of California supports Indian Housing Block Grant program funding at no less than the FY 2010 enacted funding of \$700 million and further supports the National American Indian Housing Council's proposed funding budget of \$875 million.

CERTIFICATION

The Tribal Council of the Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians does hereby certify that a meeting duly called, noticed, and convened on 26th day of April, 2010, where a quorum was present, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians by a vote of 3 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions, 1 not voting, and 3 absent.


Dora E. Jones, Vice Chairperson

ATTEST:


Charlene M. Cordero, Secretary