

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

RESOLUTION NO.: SL-21-2008

TITLE: Support for Assessment of Mercury within the Summit Lake Basin

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe is organized pursuant to Section 16 of Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984) as amended, with the Articles of Association, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 08, 1965, granting certain powers to the Summit Lake Paiute Council; and

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Council has the responsibility for the general welfare of its tribal membership including tribal natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Council is the duly constituted governing body within the boundaries of the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Council has been organized to represent, develop, protect and advance the views, interests, education, resources, and general welfare of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe membership; and

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Council has organized a Natural Resource Department to provide technical expertise and services to manage air, water, soil, fish, wildlife, and plants within the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation and off-reservation areas considered the aboriginal homeland of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Council supports management to preserve natural resources of the Summit Lake Paiute Reservation and surrounding watershed to continue traditional and cultural ways of life; and

WHEREAS, the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe has received a proposal from the US Geological Survey to evaluate the status of mercury in Summit Lake.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Summit Lake Paiute Council supports an investigation to evaluate the status of mercury within the Summit Lake basin to ensure a safe and healthy environment for members of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe and the general public, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Summit Lake Paiute Council authorizes the

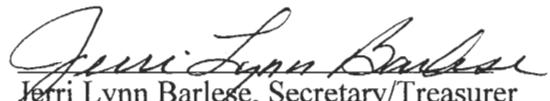
Tribal Chairman, Directors of the Natural Resource Department and the Environmental Protection Department, the Chief Administrative Employee, or delegate to negotiate and execute any agreements and proposals on behalf of the Summit Lake Paiute Council to collaborate with Federal, State, International, and local governments and non-governmental organizations to seek funding and expertise to assess the status of mercury in the Summit Lake basin, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Summit Lake Paiute Council does not waive, alter, or otherwise diminish its Sovereign Immunity, whether expressed or implied, by virtue of this contract for any and all administrative or legal action which may arise directly or indirectly from the same.

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I, **JERRI LYNN BARLESE, Secretary/Treasurer**, of the Summit Lake Paiute Council, hereby certify that the above Resolution No.: **SL-21-2008** was brought before the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council at a duly held meeting on the **19th** day of **April, 2008**, with 3 members of the Tribal Council present, constituting a quorum, with the following votes to enact Resolution No. **SL-21-2008; 2 FOR, 0 AGAINST, and 0 ABSTAIN**; with the Tribal Chairman presiding and not voting, this Resolution has not been rescinded, revoked or amended.

4/19/08
Date


Jerri Lynn Barlese, Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Lake Tribal Council