

**UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION  
RESOLUTION #2018-2**

**A RESOLUTION URGING TRIBAL LEADERS TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE  
CENTER FOR INDIAN COUNTRY DEVELOPMENT AND ITS PARTNERS TO  
PROMOTE HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ON TRUST LAND**

WHEREAS, the United Native American Housing Association (UNAHA) is comprised of individual member Indian Housing Authorities, Tribally Designated Housing Entities, and Tribes from the states of Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, and Utah, and

WHEREAS, it continues to be difficult for Native American homebuyers to obtain mortgage financing on trust land on Indian reservations, and

WHEREAS, homeownership on trust land leverages tribal housing resources, promotes family stability and self-sufficiency, and stimulates tribal economies, and

WHEREAS, tribal policies that support homeownership on tribal trust land are critical to the success of these programs to create housing options for tribal citizens, and

WHEREAS, the Center for Indian Country Development of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Enterprise Community Partners, and the National Native Homeownership Coalition have launched the *Tribal Leaders Handbook on Homeownership* initiative to provide guidance to tribal leaders about how they can help to create dynamic reservation housing markets by implementing the appropriate legal, financial, and physical infrastructure in their communities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that United Native American Housing Association (UNAHA) calls upon its members and all tribal leaders to support the efforts of the Center for Indian Country Development and its partners to explore strategies to promote affordable homeownership opportunities to ensure a healthy, safe, and productive life for all tribal members, and well-being for the next seven generations.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted during a duly called, noticed and convened Quarterly Meeting assembled for business in South Sioux City, NE on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018 with 21 members present to constitute a quorum and by a vote of 21 members voting FOR, 0 members OPPOSED, and 0 not voting.

  
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Jason Adams  
Chairman

ATTEST:   
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Iva Grainger  
Secretary

**UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION  
RESOLUTION #2018-003**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DISASTER RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE FOR TRIBES  
IN THE DAKOTAS**

**WHEREAS**, the United Native Housing Association (UNAHA) is comprised of individual member Indian Housing Authorities, Tribally Designated Housing Entities, and Tribes from the states of Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana and Utah, and

**WHEREAS**, there are Indian tribes and Indian housing programs located in the Dakotas, including the Oglala Sioux Tribe, who have suffered the loss and severe damage to hundreds of homes, including FEMA temporary homes, from repeated and sustained severe storms including hail, tornadoes, and high winds; and,

**WHEREAS**, some Tribes have issued disaster declarations, including the Oglala Sioux Tribe, but resources to address the immediate needs have been delayed by FEMA's requirement that there be \$1 million or more dollars in claims prior to the dispatch of FEMA personnel to the area, and the coordination of FEMA Assessment Teams through states; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the affected communities are in remote, rural areas without access to adequate communications equipment, lacking access to business, transportation, and infrastructure necessary to properly assess the damages that have occurred; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the affected families either lacked means of transportation prior to the disasters, or lost their vehicles in the disasters, making access to assistance and resources necessary to repair housing damaged by the storms to preserve such housing from deterioration; and

**WHEREAS**, the repeated and sustained storms in the Dakotas have also resulted in limited availability or access to assessors in the private market able to assist with the assessment of damage, and meeting the FEMA requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, this crisis will deepen as winter weather occurs often in October of each year, unless FEMA and other federal agencies act quickly to bring the necessary technical assistance, and financial and administrative support for tribal communities facing these disasters;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the United Native American Housing Association

supports the deployment of personnel and resources by each and every federal agency with authorities to provide relief to all tribal nations in North and South Dakota that have declared a state of emergency, including but not limited to the Oglala Sioux Tribe,

regardless of any action taken by the States; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that UNAHA calls upon State governments and federal agencies to provide the necessary funding and technical assistance to provide for the following needs:

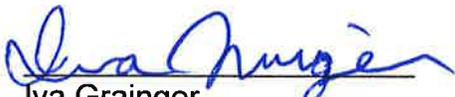
1. Efficient and timely assessment of damages and estimates of costs of repair and replacement;
2. Temporary and permanent housing replacement and repair funds to ensure availability of housing prior to the onset of winter; and
3. Disaster relief resources for families who have become homeless, or are at imminent risk of homelessness as a result of the natural disasters.
4. Deployment of FEMA personnel, HUD personnel, and any other agency personnel at the state and national level as requested by Tribal nations to assist in assessment and coordination of disaster relief.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the UNAHA Membership at a duly noticed and called annual meeting assembled for business on South Sioux City, NE on August 20, 2018, at which a quorum was present, with a vote of 21 -for, 0 - opposed, and 0 not voting.

  
Jason Adams, President

ATTEST:

  
Iva Grainger  
UNAHA Secretary