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TRIBAL MEMORANDUM

DATE : 8/20/20

TO : SUPERINTENDENT, Cheyenne River Agency

FROM : Ev Ann White Feather, Tribal Secretary *EvAnn White Feather*

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 182-2020-CR: That the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe supports the Rapid City Indian Boarding School Lands Project – Memorial Committee and the Children's Memorial on this site to honor the children and relatives who passed away at the Rapid City Indian Boarding School (and Sioux Sanatorium Tuberculosis Facility) and the Tribe supports the drafting of any MOUs that may be necessary to best implement the memorial and the Tribe supports the concept and design, and the necessary steps to fund, build, and implement the Children's Memorial and the Tribe understands the design may evolve, but supports the concept which includes social gathering place at the base of the hill, inipis for a place of prayer, a memorial walking path, various informational areas for remembrance, inclusion of all of the children's names each on their own stone, and a traditional child's burial scaffold and the Tribe has been assured that the Children's Memorial will always proceed with the Lakota values, forever honor the lives, memories and spirits of the children, and seek to provide a permanent place of prayer, remembrance, and healing and hat this resolution shall be the policy of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolutionand contains the provision.

Transmitted herewith are an original and two (2) copies of Resolution No. 182-2020-CR which was duly adopted by the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Council during its Regular Session held on August 5, 2020.

Cc: Chairman
Treasurer
Administrative Officer
Tribal Comptroller
Central Record
Land Committee Chairman

Tribal Land Office
Committee Secretary
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The blue represents the thunderclouds above the world where live the thunder birds who control the four winds. The rainbow is for the Cheyenne River Sioux people who are keepers of the Most Sacred Calf Pipe, a gift from the White Buffalo Calf Maiden. The eagle feathers at the edges of the rim of the world represent the spotted eagle who is the protector of all Lakota. The two pipes fused together are for unity. One pipe is for the Lakota, the other for all the other Indian Nations. The yellow hoops represent the Sacred Hoop, which shall not be broken. The Sacred Calf Pipe Bundle in red represents Wakan Tanka – The Great Mystery. All the colors of the Lakota are visible. The red, yellow, black and white represent the four major races. The blue is for heaven and the green for Mother Earth.

RESOLUTION NO. 182-2020-CR

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL TO HONOR AND PROTECT THE UNMARKED GRAVES OF THE RAPID CITY INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL CHILDREN

WHEREAS, the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of South Dakota is an unincorporated Tribe of Indians having accepted the provision of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe in order to establish its tribal organization, to conserve its tribal property, to develop its common resources, and to promote the general welfare of its people, has ordained and established a Constitution and By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, many of our children, and many children from our neighboring tribal nations in the Great Plains and Rocky Mountain areas were taken and sent to the Rapid City Indian Boarding School; and

WHEREAS, the Boarding School either did not keep or destroyed records of the deaths of our children, we know from oral histories and the independent research of the Rapid City Indian Boarding School Lands Project ("The Project") that at least approximately 50 children and infants passed away either at the Boarding School, traveling to or from the Boarding School, or trying to escape from the Boarding School; and

WHEREAS, despite poor record keeping by the Boarding School, through oral histories from descendants and community elders, inspection by Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs), and guidance from spiritual leaders, the project has located the likely location of unmarked graves of some of the children who passed away at the Boarding School; and

WHEREAS, the mission statement of The Project includes, "To honor the lives, memories and spirits of the children and relatives who passed away at the Indian Boarding School and the Sioux Sanatorium TB Clinic," and as such the volunteers work on an annual memorial walk as well as this permanent memorial to honor the children, called "Remembering the Children" (the "Children's Memorial"); and

WHEREAS, Rapid City is located within our original treaty territory, and it is our own tribal citizens, and the citizens of many other tribes, who live in Rapid City that are leading this grass roots community effort of The Project and the Children's Memorial; and

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WHEREAS, the Tribe has already passed a resolution in 2015 to support The Project and the volunteer efforts to protect this parcel, these graves, and to remember and honor our children (CRST Resolution E-243-2015CR, September 30, 2015); and

WHEREAS, with the help of The Project the parcel of land containing the unmarked graves was transferred into trust, of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe ("CRST"), Rosebud Sioux Tribe ("RST"), and Oglala Sioux Tribe ("OST"), on behalf of the Oceti Sakowin, in order to safe keep of all of the graves safe in perpetuity, to forever honor lives, memories and spirits of the children, and to provide a permanent place of prayer, remembrance, and healing (January 4, 2017, Document 370-55); and

WHEREAS, the tribal leadership and THPOs from OST, CRST, and RST have been involved at various stages of The Project and the Children's Memorial since its inception, and the tribal leadership directed The Project volunteers to create a memorial to protect and honor the children; and

WHEREAS, the Project's volunteer committee collected input for many years from the families of the children who passed away, decedents of survivors of the Boarding School, spiritual leader, elders, THPOs, and community members – with Richard Moves Camp is serving as the Children's Memorial cultural and spiritual advisor; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe supports the Rapid City Indian Boarding School Lands Project – Memorial Committee and the Children's Memorial on this site to honor the children and relatives who passed away at the Rapid City Indian Boarding School (and Sioux Sanatorium Tuberculosis Facility); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the drafting of any MOUs that may be necessary to best implement the memorial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the concept and design, and the necessary steps to fund, build, and implement the Children's Memorial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe understands the design may evolve, but supports the concept which includes social gathering place at the base of the hill, inipis for a place of prayer, a memorial walking path, various informational areas for remembrance, inclusion of all of the children's names each on their own stone, and a traditional child's burial scaffold; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe has been assured that the Children's Memorial will always proceed with the Lakota values, forever honor the lives, memories and spirits of the children, and seek to provide a permanent place of prayer, remembrance, and healing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the policy of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that nothing in this resolution diminishes, divests, alters, or otherwise affects any inherent, treaty, statutory or other rights of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe over the property or activities described herein. The Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe expressly retains all rights and authority over the property and activities described herein, including but not limited to legislative, regulatory, adjudicatory, and taxing powers.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, certify that the Tribal Council is composed of fifteen (15) members of whom 13, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly and regularly called, noticed, convened and held this 5th day of August, 2020, Regular Session; and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a roll call vote of 12 yes, 0 no, 1 abstaining and 2 absent.




Ev Ann White Feather, Secretary
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

RESOLUTION OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE
(An Unincorporated Tribe)

RESOLUTION OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE
IN SUPPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL TO HONOR AND PROTECT THE UNMARKED
GRAVES OF THE RAPID CITY INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL CHILDREN.

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe is recognized in accordance with
Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 on December 14, 1935,
by adopting a federally approved Constitution and By-Laws, and

WHEREAS, the federal government created and ran a series of
boarding schools throughout the nation in an attempt to assimilate our
children from the 1800s-1960s, including the Rapid City Indian Boarding
School ("the Boarding School") from the 1890s-1930s, and

WHEREAS, many of our children, and many children from our
neighboring tribal nations in the Great Plains and Rocky Mountain areas
were taken and sent to the Rapid City Indian Boarding School, and

WHEREAS, the Boarding School either did not keep or destroyed
records of the deaths of our children, we know from oral histories and
the independent research of the Rapid City Indian Boarding School Lands
Project ("The Project") that at least approximately 50 children and
infants passed away either at the Boarding School, traveling to or from
the Boarding School, or trying to escape from the Boarding School, and

WHEREAS, despite poor record keeping by the Boarding School,
through oral histories from descendants and community elders, inspection
by Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs), and guidance from
spiritual leaders, the project has located the likely location of
unmarked graves of some of the children who passed away at the Boarding
School, and

WHEREAS, the mission statement of The Project includes, "To honor
the lives, memories and spirits of the children and relatives who passed
away at the Indian Boarding School and the Sioux Sanatorium TB Clinic,"
and as such the volunteers work on an annual memorial walk as well as
this permanent memorial to honor the children, called "Remembering the
Children" (the "Children's Memorial"), and

WHEREAS, Rapid City is located within our original treaty
territory, and it is our own tribal citizens, and the citizens of many
other tribes, who live in Rapid City that are leading this grass roots
community effort of The Project and the Children's Memorial, and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has already passed a resolution in 2015 to support The Project and the volunteer efforts to protect this parcel, these graves, and to remember and honor our children (OST Resolution 15-153, July 28), and

WHEREAS, with the help of The Project the parcel of land containing the unmarked graves was transferred into trust, of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe ("CRST"), Rosebud Sioux Tribe ("RST"), and Oglala Sioux Tribe ("OST"), on behalf of the Oceti Sakowin, in order to safe keep of all of the graves safe in perpetuity, to forever honor lives, memories and spirits of the children, and to provide a permanent place of prayer, remembrance, and healing (January 4, 2017, Document 370-55), and

WHEREAS, the tribal leadership and THPOs from OST, CRST, and RST have been involved at various stages of The Project and the Children's Memorial since its inception, and the tribal leadership directed The Project volunteers to create a memorial to protect and honor the children, and

WHEREAS, The Project's volunteer committee collected input for many years from the families of the children who passed away, decedents of survivors of the Boarding School, spiritual leader, elders, THPOs, and community members - with Richard Moves Camp is serving as the Children's Memorial cultural and spiritual advisor; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oglala Sioux Tribe supports the Rapid City Indian Boarding School Lands Project efforts on behalf of the Rapid City Native community, the Memorial Committee, and the Children's Memorial. "Remembering the Children," on this site to honor the children and relatives who passed away at the Rapid City Indian Boarding School (and Sioux Sanatorium Tuberculosis Facility), and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the drafting of any MOUs that may be necessary to best implement the Children's Memorial, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the concept and design, and the necessary steps to fund, build, and implement the Children's Memorial, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe understands the design may evolve, but supports the concept which includes social gathering place at the base of the hill, inipis for a place of prayer, a memorial walking path, various informational areas for remembrance, inclusion of all of the children's names each on their own stone, and a traditional child's burial scaffold, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe has been assured that the Children's Memorial will always proceed with Lakota values, forever honor the lives, memories and spirits of the children, and seek to provide a permanent place of prayer, remembrance, and healing, and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the policy of the Oglala Sioux Tribe until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

C-E-R-T-I-F-I-C-A-T-I-O-N

I, as the undersigned Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council, of the Oglala Sioux Tribe hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by a vote of: 16 For; 0 Against; 0 Abstain; and 3 Not Voting; during a REGULAR SESSION held on the 4TH day of AUGUST, 2020.


JENNIFER SPOTTED BEAR
Secretary
Oglala Sioux Tribe

A-T-T-E-S-T:


THOMAS POOR BEAR
Vice-President
Oglala Sioux Tribe



ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBE
Resolution No, 2020-171

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL TO HONOR AND PROTECT THE UNMARKED GRAVES OF THE RAPID CITY INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL CHILDREN

- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe (the "Tribe") is recognized in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 on December 14, 1935, by adopting a federally approved Constitution and By-Laws; and
- WHEREAS,** the federal government created and ran a series of boarding schools throughout the nation in an attempt to assimilate our children from the 1800s-1960s, including the Rapid City Indian Boarding School ("the Boarding School") from the 1890s-1930s; and
- WHEREAS,** many of our children, and many children from our neighboring tribal nations in the Great Plains and Rocky Mountain areas were taken and sent to the Rapid City Indian Boarding School; and
- WHEREAS,** the Boarding School either did not keep or destroyed records of the deaths of our children, we know from oral histories and the independent research of the Rapid City Indian Boarding School Lands Project ("The Project") that at least approximately 50 children and infants passed away either at the Boarding School, traveling to or from the Boarding School, or trying to escape from the Boarding School; and
- WHEREAS,** despite poor record keeping by the Boarding School, through oral histories from descendants and community elders, inspection by Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs), and guidance from spiritual leaders, the project has located the likely location of unmarked graves of some of the children who passed away at the Boarding School; and
- WHEREAS,** the mission statement of The Project includes, "To honor the lives, memories and spirits of the children and relatives who passed away at the Indian Boarding School and the Sioux Sanatorium TB Clinic," and as such the volunteers work on an annual memorial walk as well as this permanent memorial to honor the children, called "Remembering the Children" (the "Children's Memorial"); and
- WHEREAS,** Rapid City is located within our original treaty territory, and it is our own tribal citizens, and the citizens of many other tribes, who live in Rapid City that are leading this grass roots community effort of The Project and the Children's Memorial; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe has already passed a resolution in 2015 to support The Project and the volunteer efforts to protect this parcel, these graves, and to remember and honor our children (RST Resolution No. 2015-189, July 15, 2015); and
- WHEREAS,** with the help of The Project the parcel of land containing the unmarked graves was transferred into trust, of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe ("CRST"), Rosebud Sioux Tribe ("RST"), and Oglala Sioux Tribe ("OST"), on behalf of the Oceti Sakowin, in order to safe keep of all of the graves safe in perpetuity, to forever honor lives, memories and spirits of the children, and to provide a permanent place of prayer, remembrance, and healing (January 4, 2017, Document 370-55); and

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WHEREAS, the tribal leadership and THPOs from OST, CRST, and RST have been involved at various stages of The Project and the Children's Memorial since its inception, and the tribal leadership directed The Project volunteers to create a memorial to protect and honor the children; and

WHEREAS, The Project's volunteer committee collected input for many years from the families of the children who passed away, decedents of survivors of the Boarding School, spiritual leader, elders, THPOs, and community members – with Richard Moves Camp is serving as the Children's Memorial cultural and spiritual advisor; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Rosebud Sioux Tribe supports the Rapid City Indian Boarding School Lands Project efforts on behalf of the Rapid City Native community, the Memorial Committee, and the Children's Memorial. "Remembering the Children," on this site to honor the children and relatives who passed away at the Rapid City Indian Boarding School (and Sioux Sanatorium Tuberculosis Facility); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the drafting of any MOUs that may be necessary to best implement the memorial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe supports the concept and design, and the necessary steps to fund, build, and implement the Children's Memorial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe understands the design may evolve, but supports the concept which includes social gathering place at the base of the hill, inipis for a place of prayer, a memorial walking path, various informational areas for remembrance, inclusion of all of the children's names each on their own stone, and a traditional child's burial scaffold; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribe has been assured that the Children's Memorial will always proceed with the Lakota values and forever honor the lives, memories and spirits of the children, and seek to provide a permanent place of prayer, remembrance, and healing; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the policy of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

Delores Totes Waln
Antelope Council Representative

Date

Russell Eagle Bear
Black Pipe Council Representative

Date



Lisa White Pipe
Bull Creek Council Representative



Date

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C. Steve Brave
Butte Creek Council Representative

Date

Arlene R. Black Bear
Corn Creek Council Representative

Date


Rita Means
Grass Mountain Council Representative

Date


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He Dog Council Representative

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Date


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Okreek Council Representative

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Parmelee Council Representative

Date


Martha Blue Thunder
Ring Thunder Council Representative

Date


Lenard Wright
Rosebud Council Representative

Date

Kathleen Wooden Knife
Soldier Creek Council Representative

Date

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Lila Kills In Sight
Spring Creek Council Representative

8-6-20
Date

Sharon Swift
St. Francis Council Representative

Date



James Leader Charge
Swift Bear Council Representative

08.06.2020
Date

Richard Whipple
Two Strike Council Representative

Date




Dwight D. Spotted Tail
Upper Cut Meat Council Representative

08/06/2020
Date


CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above Resolution No. 2020-171 was duly circulated and signed by representatives of the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council. Said petition was duly passed, as signed by a majority of the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council.

ATTEST:



Wayne Boyd, Secretary
Rosebud Sioux Tribe



Rodney Bordeaux, President
Rosebud Sioux Tribe