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RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE
CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE GOSHUTE RESERVATION

Ibapah, Utah 84034

Resolution No. 97-G-022

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOSHUTE BUSINESS COUNCIL, THAT

WHEREAS, the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation is a federally recognized sovereign Indian tribe which has existed since time immemorial and was organized pursuant to federal law on November 25, 1940; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe possesses all sovereign powers of a nation, dependent upon and subject to the plenary power of the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is sometimes confused with a separate and independent Goshute Band known as the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe which is located approximately sixty miles east of Ibapah; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is the closest Indian tribal neighbor to the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe has announced its desire to store radio- active materials on its reservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BUSINESS COUNCIL OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE GOSHUTE RESERVATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Skull Valley Goshute Tribe is also a sovereign Indian Tribe and has the right to utilize its reservation in any manner it deems appropriate, subject to federal laws.

2. Despite its inherent authority, the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe, as with any Indian tribe, bears a strong responsibility to neighboring tribes, to adjacent states, and to private property owners, which responsibility requires the exercise of good judgment and fairness with respect to the potential impacts on its neighbors stemming from its actions on its own reservation.

3. Because the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe has not sought any input from the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation, the Tribal Business Council concludes that the interests of the Tribe have not been fully considered and possibly have been ignored by the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe.

4. The actions of the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe appear to be motivated primarily by local economic considerations which potentially overlook or disregard the interests of neighbors.

5. For these reasons, the Business Council wishes to go on record as expressing its most serious concerns regarding the proposed plans of the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe.

6. Moreover, the Business Council strongly urges the Skull Valley Goshute Tribe to consult with the State of Utah and its other neighbors, including the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation, before embarking upon a course of action which could have substantial consequences on its neighbors and on the rights of other Indian tribes generally.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Chairman of the Goshute Business Council, do hereby certify that the Goshute Business Council is composed of 5 members, of whom 5 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting duly held on the 2nd day of June, 1997, and that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted and approved by an affirmative vote of 4 FOR; 0 AGAINST; 1 ABSTAINED; pursuant to the inherent sovereign authority of the Tribe and the authority contained under Article VII, Section 1(a) of the Goshute Tribal Constitution & By-Laws, approved November 25, 1940, as amended;

David Pete

DAVID PETE, Chairman
Goshute Business Council

ATTEST:

Genevieve Fields

Secretary