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BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION

No. 260-2014

- WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is the duly constituted governing body within the exterior boundaries of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council has been organized to represent, develop, protect and advance the views, interests, education and resources of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is charged with the responsibility of protecting and preserve the lands and resources of the Blackfeet Tribe and areas of cultural and religious significance to the Blackfeet People, and
- WHEREAS, The Badger-Two Medicine has been one of the most culturally and religiously significant areas to the Blackfeet People since time immemorial, and
- WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribe has been vigilant in taking steps to protect the Badger-Two Medicine, including the cultural, religious, and Treaty rights in the Badger-Two Medicine of the Blackfeet Tribe and the Blackfeet People; and
- WHEREAS, Among other things, the Blackfeet Tribe has sought to have the entire Badger-Two Medicine area designated as a Traditional Cultural District under the National Historic Preservation Act and one means of protecting the area;
- WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribe has taken other steps to protect the area including opposing oil and gas development in the area; and
- WHEREAS, Currently, there are a number of oil and gas leases within the Badger-Two Medicine which the Tribe believes have the potential for significantly impacting the Badger-Two Medicine and affecting the cultural and religious properties and the Treaty rights of the Blackfeet Tribe within the area; and

WHEREAS, Solenex, LLC, a Louisiana company, owned by Sidney Longwell, has sued the Secretary of the Interior and other Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service officials in *Solenex, LLC v. Sally Jewell, Secretary of the Interior, et al*, in Federal Court in Washington, D.C., in order to force the Federal Government to all the development of an oil and gas lease held by Solenex in the Badger-Two Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Solenex has filed a motion for summary judgment which is pending before the Federal Court in Washington D.C.

WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribe has an interest in ensuring that the Blackfeet Tribe's interests in the Badger-Two Medicine are fully heard and represented and the cultural, religious and other rights of the Blackfeet Tribe in the Badger Two-Medicine are fully protected;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

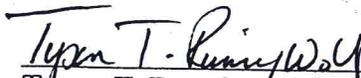
1. The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council authorizes the filing of an amicus brief on behalf of the Blackfeet Tribe in the case, *Solenex, LLC v. Sally Jewell, Secretary of the Interior, et al*, in Federal Court in Washington, D.C. in order to ensure that the interests of the Blackfeet Tribe are fully represented and heard in that case.

2. The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council further authorizes the Blackfeet Legal Department to identify an appropriate attorney or organization to file the amicus brief on behalf of the Tribe without cost, if possible.

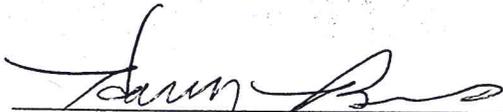
3. The Chairman and Secretary authorized to sign this Resolution on behalf of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council.

ATTEST:

THE BLACKFEET TRIBE OF THE
BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION



Tyson T. Running Wolf, Secretary
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council

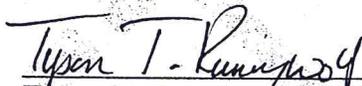


Harry Barnes, Chairman
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council in a duly called, noticed and convened Special Session, assembled for business the 20th day of August, 2014, with eight (8) members present to constitute a quorum, and with a vote of eight members (8) FOR and zero (0) members () OPPOSED and zero (0) members ABSTAINING.



Tyson T. Running Wolf, Secretary
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council