Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council

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RESOLUTION NO.: PL 096-21

RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE NIXON, NEVADA

- WHEREAS, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is organized pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act (25 U.S.C. § 476) and is federally recognized by the United States Government through the Secretary of the Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution and By-laws of the Tribe,
- WHEREAS, certain aspects of Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) policy are to be established by each individual Tribe administrating the Program, namely, acceptable documentation to determine Tribal membership, the following policies are established and will be applied consistently and equably to all households applying for and/or participating in the Program:

"Acceptable documentation to determine Tribal Membership" – Types of Tribal membership documentation that will be acceptable when determining if a household qualifies as an "Indian Tribal Household" as defined at 7 CFR Part 253 would include:

- 1. An official card, letter, or other document issued by an Indian Tribe that indicates that the individual is a Tribal member.
- 2. An official Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood or Certificate of Degree of Alaska Native Blood (both abbreviated CDIB) card. While CDIB cards, as issued by the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior, or by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Enrollment Department, do not automatically establish membership in a Federally-Recognized Indian tribe, the card does state the tribal blood quantum of the individual named on the card.
- 3. An official document (letter, memorandum, form, etc.) from the US
 Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, BIA/WNA 311 E
 Washington St, Carson City, NV 89701), or the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal
 Enrollment Department, 208 Capitol Hill/PO Box 258, Nixon, NV 89424,

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4. which states the individual named in the document is the direct descendant (son, daughter, grandchild, etc.) of a federally-recognized tribal member. The document may also state the individual named is not on the tribal rolls/census/etc. This usually is because the individual named in the document has a blood quantum less than that required for tribal membership.

Only households living in an approved "near area" as defined at 7 CFR Part 253 are required to provide documentation of Tribal membership. Households living within the reservation boundaries are not required to provide documentation of Tribal membership.

- **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council hereby approves the policy/definition of "Acceptable documentation to determine Tribal Membership" for the purposes of the FDPIR Program being operated on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Reservation.
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council adopts, approves, and supports the policy/definition of "Acceptable documentation to determine Tribal Membership" for use with the FDPIR operating on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation.

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certified that the foregoing resolution of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council, governing body of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, composed of ten members, of whom <u>ten (10)</u> constituting a quorum were contacted during a poll vote duly held on the <u>27-30th</u> day of <u>July 2021</u>, was adopted by the affirmative vote of <u>eight (8)</u> FOR and <u>zero (0)</u> AGAINST, with <u>zero (0)</u> ABSTENTIONS; pursuant to the authority contained in the Constitution and By-laws of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

Brenda A. Henry, Tribal Council Secretary Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council