UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION #2015-01

A RESOLUTION URGING THE REAUTHORIZATION OF NAHASDA IN 2015

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, both the House (HR 360) and Senate (S 710) have proposed bills for the reauthorization of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA),

WHEREAS, the bills contain important amendments and improvements to NAHASDA that will benefit the tribes administering the block grants;

WHEREAS, the United States Congress recognized the need for housing assistance and economic development in Indian Country when it passed the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) as amended; and

WHEREAS, NAHASDA clearly states in Section 703 that funding be provided to a national organization representing Native American housing interests to provide training and technical assistance; and

WHEREAS, this training and technical assistance is essential to tribes who provide low-income housing for its members through the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG); and

WHEREAS, this training and technical assistance has historically been provided by the National American Indian Housing Council through Section 703 of NAHASDA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNAHA urges Congress to approve and pass the reauthorization of NAHASDA in calendar year 2015;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UNAHA opposes the inclusion of provisions in any authorizing legislation that would divert Training and Technical Assistance funds away from the National American Indian Housing Council.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted during a duly called, noticed and convened Annual Meeting assembled for business in Riverton, Wyoming on 18th day of August, 2015, with 20 members present to constitute a quorum and by a vote of 20 members voting FOR, 0 members Opposed, and 0 not voting.

Jason Adams
Chairman

ATTEST:
Iva Grainger
Secretary