

UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION #2014-2

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING LEGISLATIVE REFORM PROPOSALS IN THE
PRESIDENT'S FY 2015 BUDGET PROPOSAL

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

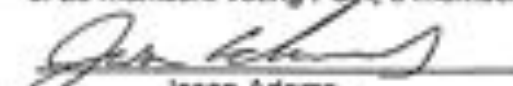
WHEREAS, the President's Budget Proposal for FY 2015 contains proposals for legislative reforms, including (1) strengthening HUD's authority to temporarily suspend recipients' access to grant funds to ensure lawful expenditure of those funds, and (2) clarifying HUD's authority to take back funds distributed based on inaccurate information. The proposal provides further that these provisions would be included in the re-authorization bill,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNAHA opposes the provisions in the President's Budget Proposal for FY 2015 that call for legislative reforms (1) strengthening HUD's authority to temporarily suspend recipients' access to grant funds to ensure lawful expenditure of those funds, and (2) clarifying HUD's authority to take back funds distributed based on inaccurate information;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UNAHA opposes the inclusion of these provisions in any authorizing legislation.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted during a duly called, noticed and convened Annual Meeting assembled for business in Lakewood, Colorado on the 31st day of March, 2014, with 25 members present to constitute a quorum and by a vote of 25 members voting FOR, 0 members Opposed, and 0 not voting.


Jason Adams
Chairman

ATTEST: 
Iva Granger
Secretary

**UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION #2014-3**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROVISION IN THE PRESIDENT'S
FY 2015 BUDGET PROPOSAL TO CLARIFY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR
IHBG ALLOCATIONS**

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, UNAHA Members believe that recipients with sizable IHBG allocations should expend their IHBG funds within a reasonable period of time

WHEREAS, the President's Budget Proposal for FY 2015 contains a provision that would that would withhold funding from all NAHASDA grant recipients, that get more than \$5 million annually in IHBG funds and have undisbursed IHBG funds in excess of 3 times their annual allocation and the proposal provides further that this provision would be included in the annual appropriations bill,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNAHA supports the provision in the President's Budget Proposal for FY 2015 that would withhold funding from all NAHASDA grant recipients, that get more than \$5 million annually in IHBG funds and have undisbursed IHBG funds in excess of 3 times their annual allocation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UNAHA supports the inclusion of this provision in the annual appropriations bill.

CERTIFICATION

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Jason Adams
Chairman

ATTEST: 
Iva Grainger
Secretary

UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION #2014-4

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE TRIBALLY SELF-DETERMINED RENT
PROVISIONS AS PROPOSED IN H.R. 4227 AND H.R. 4329

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, the stated purpose UNAHA Members is to provide safe, decent, and affordable housing for Indian people in a manner recognizing the unique government-to-government relationship of tribes and the federal government; and

WHEREAS, two bills, H.R. 4227 and H.R. 4329, from the House of Representatives that would re-authorize that Native American Housing and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) currently contain provisions intended to allow tribes to self-determine their own rent and homebuyer payment limits,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNAHA supports the provisions in H.R. 4227 and H.R. 4329 that would allow tribes to self-determine their own rent and homebuyer payment limits;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UNAHA supports the inclusion of these provisions in any authorizing legislation from both the House and Senate.

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Jason Adams
Chairman

ATTEST: 
Iva Grainger
Secretary

UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION #2014-5

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PHASING OUT OF HOMEOWNERSHIP
UNITS PROPOSED IN THE PRESIDENT'S FY 2015 BUDGET PROPOSAL

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, NAHASDA regulations promulgated through negotiated rulemaking between tribes and HUD establish specific timelines for the funding of homeownership units;

WHEREAS, the President's Budget Proposal for FY 2015 contains proposals to prematurely phase out the formula homeownership units developed under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 and the proposal provides further that this provision would be included in the NAHASDA re-authorization bill,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNAHA opposes the provision in the President's Budget Proposal for FY 2015 that calls for prematurely phasing out the formula homeownership units developed under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UNAHA opposes the inclusion of this provision in any authorizing legislation.

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ATTEST 
Iva Grainger
Secretary

**UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION #2014-6**

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING USE OF THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY
DATA IN THE IHBG FORMULA AND SUPPORTING A MANDATE FOR THE
INCLUSION OF TRIBAL ENROLLMENT DATA IN FORMULA ALLOCATIONS**

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, the stated purpose UNAHA Members is to provide safe, decent, and affordable housing for Indian people in a manner recognizing the unique government-to-government relationship of tribes and the federal government; and

WHEREAS, NAHASDA provides funding for low-income members of federally recognized Indian tribes; and

WHEREAS, UNAHA representatives are currently engaged in Negotiated Rulemaking with HUD on the IHBG formula and some of the proposals before the Committee included the use of data from the American Community Survey (ACS), which is of highly questionable accuracy due to issues related to sampling, response and inclusion rates and which fails to capture the tribal enrollment information necessary to lawfully allocate funds pursuant to NAHASDA; and

WHEREAS, UNAHA has examined sample formula projections which utilize ACS data, and this inaccurate data would have a disproportionately negative impact on the members of UNAHA if such data were used in the IHBG allocation formula,

WHEREAS, UNAHA recognizes that flaws related to census data are in large part a product of the fact that the decennial census and ACS are national surveys and the questions asked and procedures implemented cannot be modified to reflect the specific data needs, cultural sensitivities or living situations in Indian Country, and

WHEREAS, UNAHA believes that data collected directly by tribes in a uniform, properly structured and verifiable manner will produce a data set that more accurately reflects the depth and breadth of need in Indian Country, satisfies the statutory requirements of NAHASDA and adapts to the changes, if any, to the formula resulting from Negotiated Rulemaking.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNAHA opposes the use of American Community Survey data in the IHBG allocation formula;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UNAHA supports the collection of information concerning enrollment in a federally-recognized Indian tribe, in addition to or in place of an individual's self-identified "racial" status, for whichever data set(s) are utilized for the IHBG formula;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UNAHA supports Congressional authorization and funding of tribal data collection to develop individual tribal data sets that will ultimately comprise a national tribal data set, which will replace census data within the IHBG formula.

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