## UNITED NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION #2023-01

## A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT HUD ESTABLISH REGIONAL VASH VOUCHER POOLS

- 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 HUD VASH (Veterans' Supportive Housing) Voucher program has been implemented for the last few years as a demonstration program in various select Indian areas;
- WHEREAS, TDHEs who have not had the opportunity to participate in the Tribal VASH demonstration program have seen and learned the value of having vouchers in their communities, but may not also have the need or capacity to use between fifteen and thirty Tribal VASH vouchers at one time;
- WHEREAS, if HUD were to establish a pool of Tribal VASH vouchers in each ONAP region, TDHEs could be allowed to utilize one to three vouchers at a time depending on their needs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UNAHA recommends, urges, and requests to HUD and HUD ONAP that a pool of at least ten Tribal VASH vouchers be established annually for each ONAP region and that TDHEs (including those with existing Tribal VASH vouchers in place) be allowed to access the vouchers in increments of one to three vouchers a year on a first-come-first-served basis to serve eligible participants living in eligible units.

## **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 4th day of April, 2023, with 29 members present to constitute a quorum and by a vote of ALL members voting FOR, NO members Opposed, and NONE not voting.

Sharon Vogel Chairman Iva Zimmerman Secretary