

Joint Resolution
Concerning the Proposed road to Ambler
Resolution 2014-6

WHEREAS We are the indigenous, federally recognized tribes of Northern Alaska, of multiple native villages: and,

WHEREAS We share common interests in the preservation of our land, cultures, and peoples land, and,

WHEREAS Our boreal forests are the lungs of our planet making this the Last Pristine place:and,

WHEREAS Since time immemorial, our people have subsisted in our region and have depended on healthy land, healthy water to fish impacts-support our subsist resources:and,

WHEREAS we have an inherent right to that subsistence

WHEREAS We have been successful stewards of this environment and these subsistence resources for thousands of years

WHEREAS We have a trust responsibility to the generations that will follow us :and,

WHEREAS Our elders have taught us to think beyond the present and measure the effects into the future , to future generations :and,

WHEREAS Our subsistence resources are our guaranty of a life into future generations

WHEREAS multiple mining companies are staking claims in the Ambler mining district

WHEREAS the state of Alaska seeks to build a private rd. to the Ambler mining dist.

WHEREAS Mining for mere financial gain poses new threats to the survival of our subsistence resources and our people themselves;and,

WHEREAS those mining companies are exploring for sulfide minerals to mine for their financial gain.

WHEREAS the sulfide minerals will create acid that will result in toxic heavy metals polluting our lands and waters.

WHEREAS building the road will also require using asbestos-laden soil which also affects the health of our subsistence resources and our health because it is our food water and air:

WHEREAS the road will detrimentally impact water quality, caribou, sheefish and other resources that we need for our very survival

WHEREAS Our elders have held steadfast against this road development in every generation asserting their inherent rights

WHEREAS we are relatively small villages individually

WHEREAS This is an issue of interest to tribes nationwide;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED –We as the signed Tribal Governments the Inherent rightful stewards of this environment and subsistence resources band together to oppose this road to Ambler Mining District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED We both as individual Tribal Governments and also in our newly formed alliance will call upon all those with a trust responsibilities to our native peoples

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED We shall seek to educate not only our tribal citizens but all citizens as to our collective fiduciary trust responsibility to all future generations to protect our natural resources our environment and foods.

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