



**RESOLUTION
OF THE
GREAT PLAINS INTERTRIBAL FISH AND WILDLIFE
COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, **the** Great Plains Intertribal Fish and Wildlife Commission is composed of the Tribal fish and wildlife Directors of the sovereign Indian Tribes and Nations recognized by Treaties with the United States that are within the Great Plains Region of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Great Plains Intertribal Fish and Wildlife Commission was formed to promote the common fish and wildlife interests of the Great Plains sovereign Indian Tribes and their members; and

WHEREAS, the Great Plains Region is comprised of large land based Treaty Tribes with approximately 6 million acres held in trust; and

WHEREAS, In 1940, the United States enacted the Bald Eagle Protection Act to protect the **Bald** Eagle and in 1962 added the Golden Eagle; and

WHEREAS, 16 United States Code 668: 50 Code of Federal Regulation 22 allows Indians to obtain permits for the taking, possession and transportation of bald or gulden eagles or their **parts**, nests or eggs for religious use; and

WHEREAS, When eagles are found **dead** or wounded on Indian Reservations they must be **turned** over to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to be distributed by the National Eagle Repository; **and**,

WHEREAS, Tribes and Tribal members must **wait up** to three years to receive **eagles** and eagle parts; and.

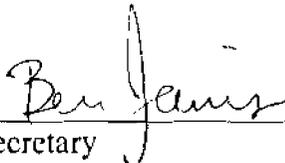
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Great Plains Intertribal Fish and Wildlife Commission requests a Congressional Amendment to the Bald and Golden **Eagle** Protection Act to return the Eagles found on a Reservation back to which they came after the investigation is complete.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Great Plains Intertribal Fish and Wildlife Commission hereby requests that the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society pass a resolution to the same effect at the National Convention in Carlton, MN.

CERTIFICATION

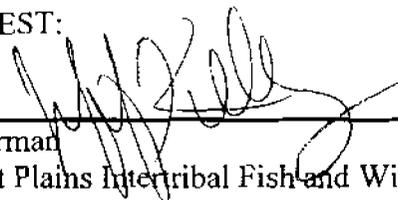
This resolution **was** enacted **at a** duly **called** meeting of **the** Great Plains **Intertribal** Fish and Wildlife Commission held **at** Aberdeen, **South Dakota**, on May 27, 2010, at which a quorum **was** present, with 6 members voting in favor, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstaining, and 10 members not **present**.

Dated this 7th day of June, 2010



Secretary
Great Plains intertribal Fish and Wildlife Commission

ATTEST:



Chairman
Great Plains Intertribal Fish and Wildlife Commission