RESOLUTION NO. 23-168

RESOLUTION OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL
OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE
(An Unincorporated Tribe)

RESOLUTION OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT FEDERAL LANDS AND TRIBAL PROJECT (NSFLTP) GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR THE CRAZY HORSE SCENIC BYWAY (CHSB) PAVEMENT RESILIENCY AND RESTORATION PROJECT BY THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe adopted its Constitution and By-Laws by referendum vote on December 14, 1935, in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5123), and under Article III of the Constitution, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Constitution authorizes the Tribal Council, in Article IV, Section 1(a) to advise and negotiate with the federal government on behalf of the Tribe (f) to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, in Section 1(g) to appropriate for public purposes of the tribe any available Tribal Council funds, and Section 1(w) to adopt laws protecting and promoting the health and general welfare of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and its membership, and

WHEREAS, Transportation is a vital part of the Oglala Sioux Tribe's infrastructure and adequate transportation facilities are essential to sustain and maintain the social and economic wellbeing of the area, and

WHEREAS, the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation already receives visitors from all over the world and the Tribally designated Crazy Horse Scenic Byway attracts additional visitors causing a positive impact to the local and regional economy, and

WHEREAS, portions of the Byway along with connecting routes need to be restored and made more resilient for the safety of travelers and enjoyment of visitors, and

WHEREAS, this project will improve the arterial surface transportation system which serves Tribal members for access to employment, education, health care, goods and services, and Tribal programs, and

WHEREAS, the arterial surface transportation system provides access for Tribal, County, and State emergency services, and

WHEREAS, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act established the NSFLTP Program and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) provided funding for the Program, making $88.29 million available for FY2023 for projects of national significance for construction, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of transportation facilities within, adjacent to, or providing access to Federal or Tribal lands, and

WHEREAS, the USDOT will award exactly half of the funding to projects on Tribal transportation facilities and increasing the federal share of projects on Tribal transportation facilities to 100 percent, and

WHEREAS, the Economic & Business Development Committee met on August 18th, 2023 and approved the NSFLTP Grant application for The CHSB Pavement Resiliency and Restoration Project; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Oglala Sioux Tribe authorizes the submittal of a NSFLTP Grant application for the CHSB Pavement Resiliency and Restoration Project. Being an applicant includes a willingness to secure and guarantee the local share of costs associated with this project and responsibility for seeing this project through to its completion, with compliance of all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

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I, as the undersigned Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council, of the Oglala Sioux Tribe hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by a vote of: 18 For; 0 Against; 0 Abstain; and 1 Not Voting; during a SPECIAL SESSION held on the 21st day of AUGUST, 2023.

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Secretary
Oglala Sioux Tribe

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President
Oglala Sioux Tribe

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