RESOLUTION NO. 14.09.18

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND GRATITUDE OF THE CHAMIZA FOUNDATION AND ITS 25 YEARS OF GRANT MAKING TO THE EIGHT NORTHERN PUEBLOS OF NEW MEXICO

WHEREAS: The Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council, Inc. ("ENIPC"), is comprised of the Northern New Mexico Pueblos of Taos, Picuris, Ohkay Owingeh, Santa Clara, San Ildefonso, Pojoaque, Nambe and Tesuque; and

WHEREAS: The ENIPC Board of Governors is comprised of appointed and elected Tribal Governors from the respective Eight Northern Pueblo Tribes; and

WHEREAS: ENIPC is established to provide community-based services in the areas of education, employment and training, behavioral health, domestic violence counseling, senior services, environmental support services, child care providing, commodity distribution, woman and infant services, and administrative support services; and

WHEREAS: In 1989, the late Gifford Phillips and wife Joann established the Chamiza Foundation, a private family foundation dedicated to providing support to New Mexico Pueblo tribes for programs that insure cultural continuity; and

WHEREAS: The founders strongly believe that Pueblo tribes offer a culture to be respected and emulated, and one that is very much worth sustaining; and

WHEREAS: The foundation provides financial support for programs in education, language revitalization, youth empowerment, traditional arts and crafts, traditional farming, and intercultural exchange; and

WHEREAS: The foundation is committed to its grassroots approach to grant making that enhances the efforts of Pueblo communities and their own process of sustain culture, traditions, and core values; and

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"Promote, facilitate and improve programs to meet the unique needs of Pueblo people….."
WHEREAS: The foundation’s relationship with each of the Pueblos are based on respect and trust, thus providing opportunities for thoughtful and relevant collaboration to insure that project implementation directly benefits community members; and

WHEREAS: The Foundation is recognized nationally for its innovative grant making, guided by Joann Phillips and her children, Marjorie, Alice, Jim and the Board of Directors, nine of whom are members of Pueblo tribes; and

WHEREAS: In this 25th year anniversary of the foundation, the Board and staff are committed to providing grant resources and technical assistance in the spirit in which was intended by its founders – to celebrate the unique culture of the Pueblo people, strengthen capacity, and empower these communities today and into the future; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: that we, the Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council are grateful for the significant contribution of the Chamiza Foundation and acknowledge its founders, Board, and staff for their commitment to providing support that will directly and positively impact efforts that insure the vitality of Pueblo culture, traditions, and arts are preserved for our people today and into the future.

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that Resolution No. 14.09.18 was considered and adopted at the Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council, Inc., Board of Governors meeting held on September 16, 2014 at which a quorum was present. The vote was 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained and 3 absent.

Signed this 16th day of September, 2014.

Governor J. Michael Chevarria
Pueblo of Santa Clara, ENIPC Chairman

Governor J. Robert Mora
Pueblo of Tesuque ENIPC, Vice Chairman

Governor Phillip A. Perez
Pueblo of Nambe

Governor George Rivera
Pueblo of Pojoaque

Governor Richard Menefee
Pueblo of Picuris

Governor Terry Aguilar
Pueblo of San Ildefonso

Governor Clyde Romero Sr.
Pueblo of Taos

Governor Marcelino Aguino
Ohkay Owingeh

Attest: Gil Vigil, ENIPC Executive Director