

Attachment C

ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBE Resolution No. 01-249

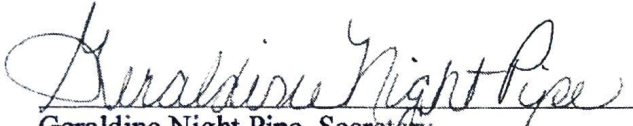
- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 and all pertinent amendments thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe is governed by a Tribal Council made up of elected representatives who act in accordance with the powers granted to it by its Constitution and By-Laws; and
- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe finds the use of Native American imagery, traditions, culture and people adopted for sports disrespectful, offensive and derogatory; and
- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe call for an end to the use of references to American Indian people, images, symbols, and cultures as mascots, logos, and team names by non-Native American elementary, secondary, or post-secondary schools in the State of South Dakota and elsewhere; and
- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe agrees with the Statement of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights on the use of Native American Images and Nicknames as Sports Symbols issued on April 25, 2001 that the use of stereotypical images by educational institutions has the potential to create racially hostile environment that may be intimidating to Indian students; and
- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe also agrees with U.S. Commission on Civil Rights that the stereotyping of any racial, ethnic, religious or other groups when promoted by educational institutions teach all students that stereotyping of minority groups is a dangerous lesson in a diverse society, and schools have a responsibility to educate and not use their influence to perpetuate misrepresentations of any culture; and
- WHEREAS,** the Rosebud Sioux Tribe also agrees with the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights that schools that continue to use Indian imagery and references claiming their use honors Native American culture and Native Americans have failed to listen to Native groups, religious leaders, and civil rights organizations opposing these symbols on the grounds these Indian-based symbols purporting to be positive are romantic symbols of the past that prevent non-Natives from understanding historical and cultural experiences of American Indians, encourage prejudice that have a negative effect on contemporary Indian people, and encourage interest in mythical "Indians" but block genuine interest in understanding of contemporary Native people as fellow Americans;
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Rosebud Sioux Tribe opposes the use of Native American imagery, traditions, culture and people as mascots, logos, and sports teams name by non-American Indian elementary, secondary, and post-secondary schools.

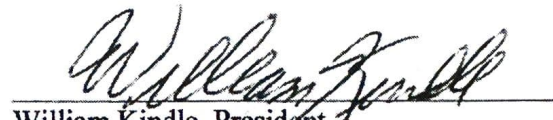
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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above Resolution No. 2001-249 was duly passed by the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council in session on December 13, 2001, by a vote of Fourteen (14) in favor, One (1) opposed and Two (2) not voting. The said resolution was adopted pursuant to authority vested in the Council. A quorum was present.

ATTEST:


Geraldine Night Pipe, Secretary
Rosebud Sioux Tribe


William Kindle, President
Rosebud Sioux Tribe