



*"Changing with the tides in harmony with  
our people, land and heritage."*

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2012-1  
OF THE QUTEKCAK NATIVE TRIBE**

**A Resolution Supporting a Statewide Tobacco Free Workplace Law to Protect Tribal Citizens from the  
Dangers of Tobacco.**

**WHEREAS**, the Qutekcak Native Tribe is a 501(c)(3) non-profit State of Alaska Corporation operating in Seward, Alaska known at the Qutekcak Native Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, Alaska Native people have the highest rate of tobacco use in the State of Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable death and disease in Alaska Native people; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined by the U. S. Surgeon General that there is no safe level of exposure to tobacco and the only complete tobacco free environments can protect health; and

**WHEREAS**, a significant amount of tobacco exposure for Alaska Natives occurs in the workplace; and

**WHEREAS**, tobacco free workplace laws protect people from secondhand smoke, reduce tobacco use overall, support healthy lifestyles, model healthy behavior and support quit attempts; and

**WHEREAS**, the health of our people is of upmost importance and Alaska Natives have taken a lead in addressing health issues throughout the years; and

**WHEREAS**, tobacco free work places will protect the health of our children, grandchildren, families and community members.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Qutekcak Native Tribal Council supports statewide adoption of a tobacco free workplace law to protect Alaska Natives from the known dangers of tobacco.

**CERTIFICATION**

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I**, Nancy Tolson, am the President of the Qutekcak Native Tribe; AND that the Qutekcak Tribal Council consists of \_\_\_ duly elected Tribal Members; AND that this Resolution 2012 – 1 was considered and adopted at a duly convened meeting of the Council on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at which a quorum was present and voting; AND that the vote taken was \_\_\_\_\_ member(s) For, \_\_\_\_\_ member(s) Against, and \_\_\_\_\_ member(s) Abstaining, due to a conflict of interest.

Nancy A. Tolson  
Nancy Tolson, President

10-10-11  
Date:

Arne Hatch  
Arne Hatch, Vice President

10-10-11  
Date: