Established by the Treaty of June 9, 1855

## RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the Yakama Nation is a federally recognized Nation pursuant to the Treaty of 1855 (12 Stat. 951), and

WHEREAS, the Yakama Tribal Council is the governing body of the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation of the Yakama Reservation, Washington, by the authority delegated by 1944 Resolution & T-38-56, and

WHEREAS, the Yakama Nation Tribal Council has the authority to initiate participation in established programs for the benefit and well-being of the Tribe and its employees, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council realized there is an advantage for all parties, by participating with, training and exercising with other Recognized Indian Tribes in the State for the purpose of Emergency Management, and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council does also recognize that planning, exercise, individual and collective preparedness and maintaining a Point of Contact (POC) is of the utmost importance for the continued survival of the Tribe and it's Members and employee, and

WHEREAS, the participation of the Yakama Nation with the other member Tribes of the Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council (NWTEMC), will facilitate the above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Executive Board of the Yakama Tribal Council, acting under authority delegated by Section III A of the Rules of Procedures, approved by Yakama Tribal Council Resolution T-10-61, dated July 13, 1960, and meeting at the Governmental Headquarters of the Yakama Nation, hereby authorizes our designated Tribal Administrator to direct the Director of emergency Management to initiate and sustain participation in the Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council (NWTEMC) at no cost to the Tribe, other than maintaining a Point of Contact (POC).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any member of the Yakama Tribal Council Executive Board is authorized to negotiate and execute any agreements and amendments thereof, on behalf of the Yakama Tribal Council, as delegated by Section III A of the Rules of Procedures pursuant to T-10-61, as approved, provided further that any Executive Board Member may negotiate the contract.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Yakama Nation does not waive, alter, or otherwise diminish its Sovereign Immunity, whether expressed or implied, by virtue of this resolution for any and all administrative or legal action which may arise directly or indirectly from the same, nor does the Yakama Nation waive, alter, or otherwise diminish its rights, privileges, remedies or services guaranteed by the Treaty of 1855.

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DONE AND DATED on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008 by the undersigned members of the Executive Board of the Yakama Tribal Council.

Ralph Sampson, Jr., Chairman

Yakama Tribal Council

Lavina Washines, Vice-Chairwoman

Yakama Tribal Council

Portia J. Shields, Secretary

Yakama Tribal Council

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