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## **RESOLUTION 2017-15**

## A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK ENDING ON FATHER'S DAY AS MEN'S HEALTH WEEK IN OUR TRIBAL NATION AND ENCOURAGE ALL OUR CITIZENS TO PURSUE PREVENTATIVE HEALTH PRACTICES AND EARLY DETECTION EFFORTS

- WHEREAS: the Kotlik Tribal Council (COUNCIL) is a federally recognized Tribal governing body for the Native Village of Kotlik; and,
- WHEREAS: despite advances in medical technology and treatment, Native American men live significantly shorter lives and suffer higher death rates for many causes compared to their female counterparts or U.S. males overall, and,
- WHEREAS: educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems can result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and,
- WHEREAS: men who are informed about the value of preventative health and supported in accessing it will be more likely to participate in health screening and treatment; and,
- WHEREAS: fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and,
- WHEREAS: Men's Health Network worked with Congress to develop Men's Health Week as a special campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of health attitudes and preventative health practices; and,
- WHEREAS: Kotlik Men's Health Week will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, diabetes, mental health, prostate, testicular and colon cancer; and,
- **WHEREAS:** the members of tribal nations are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise and medical check-ups.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;** the COUNCIL hereby proclaim the week ending on Father's Day as Men's Health Week in our tribal nation and encourage all our citizens to pursue preventative health practices and early detection efforts.

## **CERTIFICATION**

PASSED AND APPROVED BY A CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE	KOTLIK
TRADITIONAL COUNCIL ON THIS 245 I)AY OF APRIL 2017 BY OF FOR, AGAINST AND ABSTAIN.	A VOTE
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