

INTERNATIONAL INDIAN TREATY COUNCIL 40th ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE PHILLIP DEERE FAMILY ROUNDHOUSE OKEMAH OKLAHOMA SEPTEMBER 10TH – 12TH, 2014

Resolution on Food Sovereignty, Right to Food and Annishinaabeg Wild Rice

The delegates at this conference representing Indigenous Peoples from North, Central, and South America, the Caribbean and the Pacific, adopt by consensus the following resolution to defend the Rights of Indigenous Peoples:

IITC reaffirms its resolution adopted at its 2006 conference in Florida opposing genetic modification of Wild Rice;

IITC reaffirms its support for the Annishinaabeg People's and other Indigenous Peoples' efforts to stop genetic modification of their sacred wild rice (Manoomin) in violation of the Treaty, subsistence, cultural and other rights;

IITC recognizes that genetic research in the form of modifying wild rice in such way that it harms the culture and traditions of the Anishinaabeg and other Indigenous Peoples must be halted and that the control of any protective research done on wild rice come within Anishinaabeg and Indigenous communities.

IITC commits to co-coordinate a food sovereignty gathering in conjunction with the concerned Indigenous Peoples focusing on the sacred wild rice and its importance to the Anishinaabeg, other Nations and communities.

Finally, IITC formally endorses and adopts the Declarations the 1st and 2nd International Indigenous Peoples Conferences on Corn (September 2012 Oaxaca Mexico, and September 2014, Okmulgee Oklahoma) and the Declaration from the Indigenous Peoples' International Gathering to Honor, Protect and Defend the Salmon (Klamath River, California, July 2013).

Adopted by Consensus September 12th 2104, Okemah Oklahoma, USA