GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT

First Peoples' Language/Culture Certification Pilot Program

In the spirit and intent of the 1989 Centennial Accord entered into between the State of Washington and the sovereign Tribal Governments of Washington State, the Washington State Board of Education adopted WAC 180-78A-700, the First Peoples' Language/Culture Teacher Certification three-year pilot program.

In accordance with WAC 180-78A-700, the Makah (Tribe) will certify qualified language/culture teachers in the following language(s)/dialect(s): Makah. For each individual, the Makah (Tribe) will provide the following information: date of completion of the Language/Culture Teacher Certificate, the criminal background check and a course or coursework relating to issues of abuse reporting as required by RCW 28A.410.010 and 28A.410.035.

Accordantly, the Washington State Board of Education will direct the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to issue a First Peoples' Language/Culture Teacher Certificate to individuals thus tribally certified and State Board of Education verified. Additionally, this teacher certification will serve as the endorsement in First Peoples' language/culture for anyone holding an initial or residency certificate.

We, the undersigned, agree to uphold this government-to-government agreement, this 20th day of June, 2003.

Richard M. Walker for
Tribal Chair NATHAN TYLER

June 26th, 2003
Date

Reggie C Frame
State Board of Education Official

6-20-03
Date