## RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - 848

## A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE LAKE LIAISON COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

## Recitals:

- The Soap Lake Conservancy and City of Soap Lake Joint Liaison Strategic
  Planning Committee shall be hereafter referred to as Lake Liaison Committee and
  made up of Citizens of the Soap Lake area.
- The Lake Liaison Committee has actively involved the entire community of Soap Lake to seek input regarding the needs and direction for the preservation of the body of water known as Soap Lake.
- 3. The Lake Liaison Committee recognizes the support from City of Soap Lake will help lay the foundation for maintaining the historic and current benefits of the lake for future generations.

## Resolved: The City of Soap Lake

- does hereby recognize the value, vision, missions, and actions of protecting, preserving, and restoring our land-locked mineral water lake as a unique ecosystem and natural treasure that is important to our community's health and welfare.
- 2. recognizes this unique naturally formed meromictic lake, Soap Lake, has been at the core of the historical vitality of our community for over a hundred years.
- 3. recognizes the significance of Soap Lake in the history of First Nation Peoples and their communities.
- 4. seeks to offer the potential for this same depth and draw for future generations, as not only a family centered and anchored community, but a community of healing vitality for visitors, by supporting the health of our unique lake ecosystem our mineral rich Soap Lake.
- 5. acknowledge the importance of partnership coalitions with other organizations as an efficient and effective source of support, as well as other actions which may support the intent of this resolution both now and as we step into the future.
- 6. Recognizes sustainable ecosystems require equilibrium. Research shows the waters and mud layers of Soap Lake indicate the lake is not in equilibrium. Immediate action is required to maintain and restore our mineral lake ecosystem.
- 7. Acknowledge the importance of our actively working with Federal, State, County, City, and Municipal entities and their agencies, as well as public organizations,

businesses, and individuals so as to implement this resolution and re-establish the equilibrium of our meromictic lake ecosystem.

8. ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Soap Lake, Washington, this 7th day of December, 2016

Raymond Gravelle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anita Richardson, Deputy Clerk