

CONVENTION CALL

15TH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS  
Florence Hotel, Missoula, Montana  
September 15-19, 1958

TO THE CHIEFS, GOVERNORS, HEADMEN, OFFICERS, COUNCILMEN, AND INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS  
OF THE INDIAN TRIBES OF THE UNITED STATES AND ALASKA:

By virtue of the authority of the Executive Council of the National Congress of American Indians, I do hereby call the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the National Congress of American Indians to convene at Missoula, Montana, September 15 through September 19, 1958. Registration of delegates will begin in the Florence Hotel at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday evening, September 14 and the Convention will open on Monday, September 15. The Executive Council of the National Congress of American Indians will meet on Monday, September 15.

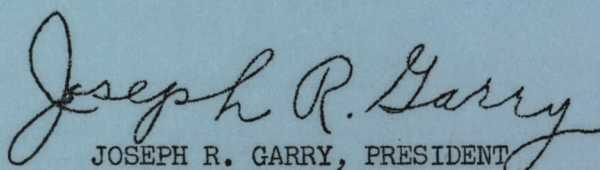
All tribes are urged to send official delegates to this Convention. We must think through our problems together. We must plan jointly. We must pool our resources. We must speak with a strong, united voice on the general principles and policies that affect us all. Indians who seek to retain and develop their resources, to preserve their identity and their values, to develop a good future for themselves and the generations to follow must work together earnestly.

This is a general election year. Our ballot is unquestionably one of our strongest weapons. We must plan and work together to make more effective use of this powerful tool for our betterment.

Our national organization is growing in strength, prestige, and effectiveness in many ways but it needs the best thinking and planning and work of all of us in continuing to guide its future course. The annual convention is the one opportunity of the year to give thorough review and planning to the work of the organization.

ALL TRIBES: Send your official delegates prepared to express your views, both in their reports and in the resolutions you wish them to submit for action by the convention. If you have suggestions for the improved conduct of the convention, send them to the office of NCAI at the earliest possible date.

A CORDIAL AND URGENT INVITATION IS HEREBY EXTENDED TO THE 15TH ANNUAL CONVENTION to Indian tribes, to individual Indian members, to our good non-Indian friends who are associate members, to other guests and visitors, and to the general public.



JOSEPH R. GARRY, PRESIDENT  
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