



## **Declaration of Support for the National Radon Action Plan**

**The National Tribal Air Association (NTAA) recognize the risk in Indian Country from radon induced lung cancer.** NTAA supports steps to eliminate avoidable exposures to indoor air carcinogens like radon.

**Radon causes 21,000 preventable lung cancer deaths every year.** A naturally occurring, invisible gas, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. Children and adults face increased risk of developing lung cancer when exposed to elevated levels of radon in their homes, schools, and childcare facilities.<sup>1</sup>

**NTAA supports the vision articulated in the National Radon Action Plan to protect the health of the public** by incorporating steps to eliminate avoidable radon-induced lung cancer as standard practice in the United States.

**NTAA supports the long-range strategies contained in the National Radon Action Plan.** The strategies in the National Radon Action Plan target the elimination of avoidable radon-induced lung cancer in the United States by building in simple and proven technologies to reduce exposure to radon.

**To protect our families and the public, our nation needs to find, fix and prevent high indoor radon levels as a standard practice so that no American is exposed to avoidable radon indoors.**

The **National Tribal Air Association's Executive Committee** voted unanimously on Wednesday August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 to declare support for the National Radon Action Plan. More information on NTAA can be found at [www.ntaatribalair.org](http://www.ntaatribalair.org).

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<sup>1</sup> National Research Council. 1999. *Health Effects of Exposure to Radon: BEIR VI*. National Academy Press: Washington, DC.