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**PRESS RELEASE**

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### **STATEMENT REGARDING THE SENTENCING OF FORMER EMPLOYEE TAWHNEE COLVIN ON BANK FRAUD AND THEFT FROM A TRIBAL ORGANIZATION**

Judge Rebecca Pennell of the Federal Court in the Eastern District of Washington sentenced Tawhnee Colvin, former employee of the Spokane Tribe, to one year and one day in federal prison for her conviction by a jury on twenty-five counts of Bank Fraud and one count of Embezzlement and Theft from a Tribal Organization. The Court also imposed five years of probation and restitution of over \$100,000.00 to the Spokane Tribe.

The Spokane Tribe thanks the men and women of our law enforcement community for their diligence and hard work in prosecuting this case in the pursuit of justice.