

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE
FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION**

WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

WHEREAS, On December 16, 2000, the Tribal Business Council called and set March 28, 2000 as the date on which a special referendum election would held in which eligible Tribal voters would vote on two proposed options relating to an annual investment in a prospective permanent endowment fund of a portion of the income earned each year from the Three Affiliated Tribes Economic Recovery Fund created by the Equitable Compensation Act (the "JTAC fund"); and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council subsequently extended the date of the election to April 18, 2000, so as to allow a greater of number of Tribal voters to register to vote in this important election; and

WHEREAS, It is the express intent of the Tribal Business Council that, in conformity with Part II, Section 6 of the Referendum Election Procedures of the Three Affiliated Tribes, if valid ballots are cast by at least thirty percent (30%) of the total number of duly registered voters, the results of the election shall be binding on the incumbent Tribal Business Council and successor Councils, and that no change in the investment in the permanent endowment fund shall be made, unless changed by the Tribal voters in a subsequent referendum election;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby declares that, in conformity with Part II, Section 6 of the Referendum Election Procedures, if valid ballots are cast in the April 18, 2000 Extended Special Referendum Election by at least thirty percent (30%) of the total number of duly registered voters, the results of the election shall be binding on the incumbent Tribal Business Council and successor Councils, and that no change in the investment in the permanent endowment fund shall be made, unless changed by the Tribal voters in a subsequent referendum election.

CERTIFICATION

Resolution #00- 106 -DSB

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 20th day of March, 2000; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 1 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 20th day of March, 2000.

Daylon Spotted Bear
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Chairman, Tribal Business Council