

**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,** Title 25, Part 166 of the Code of Federal Regulations generally allows the Tribe and the Bureau of Indian Affairs to jointly develop grazing regulations; and
- WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5(j) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes (the "Tribe") empowers the Tribe to protect and preserve the natural resources of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe, in cooperation with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, allocates more than 90 range units of varying sizes located on the Fort Berthold Reservation on lands owned by the Tribe and by its members and held in trust for the Tribe and its members by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and which are used for grazing livestock;
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe has previously authorized to be conducted an independent appraisal by a qualified appraiser of grazing rates to be applied to the range units allocated pursuant to its grazing unit allocation resolution, Number 00-02-DSB; and
- WHEREAS,** The annual rate as determined by the independent appraiser would be \$4.80 per animal unit, while the annual rate suggested by the Bureau of Indian Affairs would be \$ 6.92 per animal unit; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe is willing to compromise on an annual rate of \$6.00 per animal unit for each grazing unit that has previously been allocated, and believes that this compromise strikes an appropriate balance between the needs of the Tribal ranchers to whom the grazing units have been allocated and the interests of the landowners who are allowing the land to be leased;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby sets an interim grazing rate for the present year of \$6.00 per animal unit for all units allocated by the Tribe pursuant to its grazing unit allocation resolution, Number 00-02-DSB, subject to further discussions with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and further requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs send out such billings or refunds as may be appropriate that will properly reflect an annual rate of \$6.00 per animal unit.

CERTIFICATION

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 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2000; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 members, 3 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2000.

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Secretary  
Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Tex G. Hall  
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Chairman  
Tribal Business Council