

**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,** The ancestors of the present members of the Three Affiliated Tribes played an integral role in the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the Corps of Discovery, including the contribution of a guide, Sakakawea, to the Expedition, which was a mission of the United States to explore the northwest area of North America, which took place from 1804 to 1806; and
- WHEREAS,** The Bi-centennial observation of the Lewis and Clark Expedition will commence in 2004; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes is in a position to benefit economically from the Bi-Centennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition in a number of ways; including through increased tourism, development of cultural and other programs and development of other facilities for tourists that allow the visitor to the Reservation to appreciate the cultural heritage of the Three Affiliated Tribes and the relationship of the Tribe to the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the expansion of the United States westward; and
- WHEREAS,** One possible economic development activity may be the production and marketing of a documentary film and other film projects about the role of the Three Affiliated Tribes in the Expedition and about the oral histories of the Three Affiliated Tribes in general, and that will allow the Three Affiliated Tribes to tell its own history from its perspective; and
- WHEREAS,** A Tribal member, Irene Fredericks, has been involved in movies made and directed by Native Americans for the past 20 years, has many contacts in Los Angeles and elsewhere interested in the film project, and is qualified to assist the Tribe to complete its efforts at making and producing a film or films that will allow the Three Affiliated Tribes to present its own story from its perspective; and
- WHEREAS,** Irene Fredericks has already done a considerable amount of background work on the film project, contacting Tribal members, producers, writers and others who will need to be involved with the film project, and is ready to move the project to the next level, all for an amount within the original budget proposed for the prouject;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby approves a Consultant Agreement with Irene Fredericks, to run through

December 31, 2000, for the purposes of producing and development of a film or films relating to the involvement of the Three Affiliated Tribes with the Lewis and Clark Expedition and to the preservation of the oral traditions of the Three Affiliated Tribes, such Consultant Agreement to be at the rate of \$3,000 per month salary, plus necessary expenses in the amount of approximately \$1,250 per month as outlined in the Consultant Agreement, up to a maximum amount of \$12,500 in the 10 month period of the Consultant Agreement, with the possibility of renewing and renegotiating the contract upon the expiration of the Agreement; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that it is understood and it is the intention of this Resolution and the attached Consultant Agreement that all original and copies of film, whether still or motion picture; videotape, or pictures or moving pictures in any format, electronic, magnetic or otherwise; ideas; stories; scripts; drawings; tape recordings; music or other materials of any kind developed by Irene Fredericks for the benefit of the Three Affiliated Tribes pursuant to this Consultant Agreement shall remain the property of the Three Affiliated Tribes and that no offer or contract for additional remuneration other than as stated in the Consultant Agreement is being made or offered to Irene Fredericks at this time; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Irene Fredericks shall report on not less than a monthly basis to the Chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes the progress she is making towards development and production of a film or films as outlined above; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Resolution No. 99-224-DSB, relating to this project, is hereby rescinded in its entirety.

#### 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 Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2000.

ATTEST:

  
Chairman, Tribal Business Council

  
Secretary, Tribal Business Council