

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

- WHEREAS, This nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS, This Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 8 **Drinking Water Tribal Set-Aside Construction Grant Program** is now available and the deadline for submission of this Tribal proposal is **February 28, 2001**; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes' Tribal Business Council's goal is to: **provide adequate and free potable drinking water for its membership on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation**; and
- WHEREAS, Over 50% of the tribal population is still under-served or not served at all in the tribal community and conditions exist where an actual **public health** problem with **serious health risks** effect the population; existing homes are not connected to an existing water public water system and hand-pumped wells, water vending machines, and water haulers are the current water systems of these tribal members **pollution poses a serious health threat** to these Indian neighborhoods; and ground water contamination, high iron, manganese and sodium in the Indian people' drinking water; and
- WHEREAS, Feasibility studies, engineering work, project management, tribal-municipal agreements, and other has been **accomplished** to reach the state of an infrastructure project for the Indian people of the North Segment and Northeast Districts; and

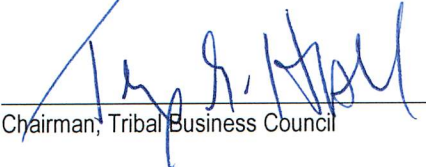
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Three Affiliated Tribes' Tribal Business Council authorize the OM&R Program to seek \$3 Million from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from the Drinking Water Infrastructure Grants Tribal Set Aside (DWIG TSA) Program to provide funds to alleviate these conditions in the North and Northeast Segment Districts where over 60% of the Tribal people live and work.

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, notice, convened, and held on February 26, 2001; 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 26th Day of February 2001.

ATTEST:


Chairman, Tribal Business Council


Secretary, Tribal Business Council