

**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; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes is a sovereign Nation committed to establishing and maintaining government-to-government relationships with all federal agencies and entities; and,
- WHEREAS,** Housing is a critical need on Fort Berthold, and the Three Affiliated Tribes invests in its Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE), the Fort Berthold Housing Authority, the task of alleviating the existing shortages in the availability of safe, decent, and sanitary rental and homeownership housing; and,
- WHEREAS,** The United Native American Housing Association (UNAHA) is the regional Indian housing association that represents 32 Tribes and TDHEs in this Region including the Three Affiliated Tribes' TDHE, the Fort Berthold Housing Authority; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes wishes to show its support of all Tribes' and TDHEs' concerns relative to NAHASDA and to their unified desire to improve their relationships with HUD, because until these concerns are addressed and a true government-to-government relationship is in practice, the following issues will continue to delay and even prohibit alleviation of the dire housing shortages experienced by Tribes nationwide:
- The need for timely congressional reauthorization of NAHASDA for a term that will enable Tribes and TDHEs to realize greater program stability,
 - The need for increased annual national Indian housing funding from \$650 million to \$1.1 billion,
 - The need for a modification in NAHASDA that will enable TDHEs and Tribes to increase NAHASDA formula housing stock,
 - The need for recognition and use of negotiated rulemaking as an integral tool for modification of NAHASDA and its regulations; and,
 - The need for the allocation of additional funds to help meet infrastructure needs; and so,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, By adoption of this Resolution, the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council hereby states its support of the efforts of UNAHA to reach satisfactory resolution of these and a multitude of other related housing concerns; and,

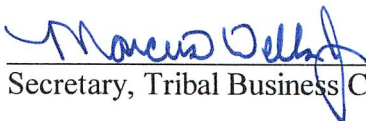
BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, That, The Three Affiliated Tribes tribal leaders, namely the Tribal Business Council, hereby pledges its active support to gaining such resolution so that our own tribal membership may avail itself of the "American Dream" which is to live in and own safe, sanitary, decent, and affordable housing.

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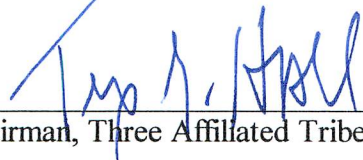
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitutes a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 23 day of MARCH 2001; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 23 day of MARCH 2001.

Signed:


Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:


Chairman, Three Affiliated Tribes