Resolution No. # 01-179 MWJL.

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 governing body of the Three Affiliated Tribes believes that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is failing to work satisfactorily with Tribes to alleviate the dire housing needs that exist in Indian country; and,
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council also believes that in order for HUD to properly partner with Tribes to address these needs, HUD must be able to function in a true government-to-government relationship with Tribes, and, that in order for this to be possible, HUD must recognize Tribes as sovereign nations and must cultivate a complete understanding of the full implications of such status; and,
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council has reviewed the Tribal Caucus Resolution and the attached HUD Consultation Tribal Caucus Issue Paper submitted by tribal representatives to HUD on July 11, 2001, in St. Paul, Minnesota, at the HUD 8th Native American Homeownership Summit; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council concurs with the issues, concerns, and recommendations contained in the Resolution and Issue Paper; and so,
- **THEREFORE, NOW BE IT RESOLVED, That,** the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council hereby petitions HUD to immediately begin to respond to Tribes and their tribal housing issues:
 - 1) in a manner commensurate with their status as sovereign nations,
 - 2) in compliance with the presidential mandate of Executive Order 13175, and,
 - 3) pursuant to the intentions of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA); and,

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BE IT FURTHER AND FINALLY RESOLVED, That, the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically requests a formal written response to Tribes regarding the issues and concerns raised within the Tribal Caucus Resolution and Issue Paper within thirty (30) days of July 11, 2001, to enable Tribes to take expedient action to enact any remedies they may deem necessary to ensure that Native American housing concerns will be addressed properly and without undue delay.

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 seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitutes a quorum, <u>7</u> were present at a <u>coquilar</u> Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the <u>19</u> day of <u>2001</u>; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of <u>7</u> members, <u>0</u> members opposed, <u>0</u> members abstained, <u>0</u> members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this $\underline{19}$ day of $\underline{4000}$ 2001.

Secretary, Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:

Chairman, Tribal Business Council

Three Affiliated Tribes