

**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 health status of Tribal members on the Fort Berthold Reservation remains as poor as many third world countries;
- WHEREAS,** The principal provider of health care for Tribal members in the Aberdeen Area remains the Indian Health Service (IHS), which attempts to fulfill one of the most important trust responsibilities of the United States towards Tribal members on the Fort Berthold Reservation, that of providing quality health care, yet the IHS does not come close to fulfilling the need for comprehensive and quality health care; and
- WHEREAS,** The present Area Director, Bruce Bad Moccasin, is retiring and a vacancy will occur in that position; and
- WHEREAS,** Rick Sorenson, presently an assistant Area Director at the Aberdeen Area Office of the IHS, has shown himself to be fair minded, honest with Tribes about the limitations of IHS on providing quality health care for Tribal members, and willing to be an advocate for Tribal needs in the health care area; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes believes that Rick Sorenson would make an excellent replacement for Bruce Bad Moccasin as Area Director of the Indian Health Service;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby requests that IHS Director Michael Trujillo appoint Rick Sorenson as the IHS Aberdeen Area Director replacing Bruce Bad Moccasin.

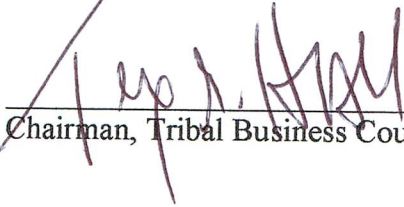
C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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 day of Jan., 2002;

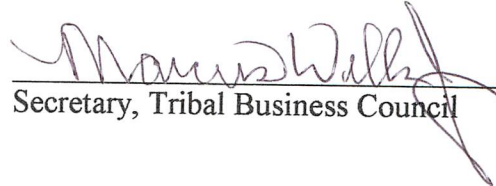
that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 1 members abstained, 6 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 11 day of Jan., 2002.

ATTEST:



Chairman, Tribal Business Council



Secretary, Tribal Business Council