



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

A Resolution entitled, "Authority to seek appropriations from USDA Farm Service Agency for American Indian Livestock Program for FY-2003"

- WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes Constitution authorizes and empowers the Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Tribal Business Council to engage in activity on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** Article VI Section 5(j) empowers the Tribes to protect and preserve the natural resources of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council recognizes the economic hardship of all Fort Berthold livestock owners as a result of the severe drought conditions; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council has declared the Fort Berthold Reservation a disaster area and authorizes Patricia J. Thomas to seek appropriations to participate in the American Indian Livestock Program; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council has authorized Patricia J. Thomas the authority to determine the eligibility of Fort Berthold livestock owners to receive assistance under this program; and
- WHEREAS,** The United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency 1-DAP Amendment 4, Section 503, Subpart B allows the Tribe discretion in determining the number of livestock; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes and directs Patricia J. Thomas seek funds to implement the American Indian Livestock Feed Program for FY 2003.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 8th day of January, 2003, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 8th day of January, 2003.

Randy Phelan
Executive Secretary, Randy Phelan
Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:
Tex G. Hall
Chairman, Tex G. Hall
Tribal Business Council