



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

*A Resolution entitled "Authorization for the UND Psychology Department to Conduct a Dementia Screening and Dementia Assessment of Willing Elders of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation."*

**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 and Bylaws authorizes and empowers the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Tribal Business Council to engage in activity on behalf of and in the best interest and welfare of the Tribes and the enrolled members thereof; and

**WHEREAS,** Alzheimer's Disease and dementia is emerging among American Indian elderly as American Indian life expectancy increases and as American Indian elderly populations increase with the advancing Baby Boom generation; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council is concerned with the need for culturally appropriate dementia assessments for Native elderly populations throughout North Dakota and the nation; and

**WHEREAS,** There is a proposed study funded by the UND Office of Research and Program Development that will assess 60 elders from two North Dakota Indian reservation and one Indian service area using 4 assessment tools with the intention of determining which assessment tool works best for Native elders; and

**WHEREAS,** This study will be coordinated by Leander McDonald, PhD, UND Center for Rural Health and Francis Ferraro, PhD, UND Psychology Department, and will employ either UND students or local area personnel to conduct the assessments on their home reservations; and

**WHEREAS,** The targeted population will be individuals, age 55 and over, male and female, who are living within the reservation/Indian areas. Each elder participant will receive a Wal-Mart gift card (value \$20.00) for approximately 60 minutes of participation; and

**WHEREAS,** The information collected for this survey will be done anonymously with the data and assessments being stored at the UND Department of Psychology within a locked file cabinet for a period of 3 years and destroyed once the time period is over; and



**WHEREAS,** An individualized reservation/Indian area report will be given to each participating reservation/Indian area along with a copy of the state report. The state report from all 5 Indian areas will be shared with the North Dakota Department of Health and like agencies for the purpose of informing state officials of tribal health circumstances.

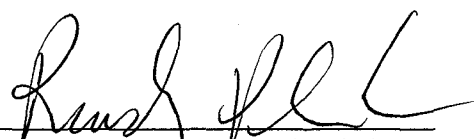
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that Leander McDonald, PhD, UND Center for Rural Health, and Jeffrey Holm, PhD and Nancy Vogeltanz-Holm, PhD, UND Center for Health Promotion and Translational Research are hereby authorized to come onto the Fort Berthold Reservation and conduct the North Dakota American Indian Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration, to provide data that can be used in the prevention of chronic disease on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

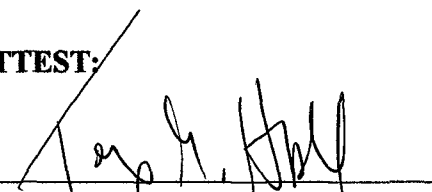
**CERTIFICATION**

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, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 16 day of Feb., 2004, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 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 16 day of Feb., 2004.

  
Executive Secretary, Randy Phelan  
Tribal Business Council

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