



**RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
OF THE  
FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION**

**A Resolution entitled "Approval of Dues for National Congress of American Indians Annual Membership Dues and Appointment of Delegates and Alternates."**

**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 Executive Committee, which is comprised of four of the seven members of Tribal Business Council, may take action on behalf of the Tribe when the Tribal Council is unable to meet; and

**WHEREAS,** The National Congress of American Indians ("NCAI") is the oldest and largest organization of Indian Nations in the United States, founded in 1944 and representing more than 200 sovereign Indian Nations; and

**WHEREAS,** NCAI is looked to by Congress and by the President and the Executive Branch as providing a major voice expressing the concerns of Indian Nations about the policy of the Federal government towards the Indian Nations and their members; and

**WHEREAS,** It is critical that tribes that have a large land base and large populations, such as the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (the Three Affiliated Tribes), and which have an established Treaty relationship with the United States influence how NCAI develops and presents the views of Indian Nations to the Executive and Legislative branches of the Federal government; and

**WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes wishes to continue to be a member of NCAI and is prepared to pay its dues as required by the Constitution and By-laws of NCAI in the amount of \$1,000.00; and

**WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes wishes to participate fully in the business that comes before NCAI at all of its meetings and is prepared to appoint a standing delegate to NCAI; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Executive Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes the payment of annual dues to NCAI in the

# National Congress of American Indians

## 2004-2005 TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CREDENTIALING PROCESS

**Tribal membership** entitles the tribal delegate to **cast votes** for his or her tribe during elections, resolution votes, and any other matters on the floor of General Assembly and includes email updates for three addresses, one fax, and the *NCAI Sentinel*. NCAI dues were increased at the 2002 Annual Session, this dues increase is now in effect -- please see the table below to determine your membership fee.

In order to become a **Tribal Member** in good standing you must follow these important steps:

1. Review the Tribal Membership Credentialing Process Form, page 1.
2. Fill out the Tribal Membership Application, page 2.
3. Submit your Tribal Resolution for Membership by re-typing the attached template on your letterhead, page 3.
4. All Delegates and Alternates listed on your resolution have to be individual members in good-standing with NCAI, page 4.

•ALL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE RENEWABLE AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION EACH YEAR•

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*Articles from the National Congress of American Indians  
Constitution and By-Laws applicable to the membership process:*

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**Article II: MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 2 A: Tribal Membership**

*Any Tribe, band or identifiable group of American Indians or Alaska Natives shall be eligible for tribal membership provided it shall fulfill all the following requirements:*

1. *A substantial number of its members reside upon the same reservation or, in the absence of a reservation, in the same general locality;*
2. *It maintains a tribal organization, with regular officers and the means of transacting business and arriving at a reasonably accurate count of its membership;*
3. *It is not a mere offshoot or fraction of an organized tribe, itself eligible for membership; and*
4. *It is recognized as a tribe or other identifiable group of American Indians or Alaska Natives by the Department of the Interior, Court of Claims, the Indian Claims Commission, or a State.*

**Article III: MEMBERSHIP DUES**

**Section 3B: Dues for Tribal Membership**-In accordance with the following table:

Income	Dues
5 million or over	\$5,000
1 million or over	\$1,000
\$500,000 to \$1 million	\$500
\$0 to \$500,000	\$100

*If revenue exceeds \$10 million, please consider increasing your dues as a contribution to NCAI.*

**Article II: MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 6C: Votes**

*Each individual member is entitled to one vote. Each member tribe is entitled to 100-180 votes, depending upon the enrollment of the tribe. Each member tribe shall vote in accordance with the following table:*

Members in Tribe	Number of Votes
up to & including 500	100
501 to 1500	110
1501 to 2500	120
2501 to 3500	130
3501 to 4500	140
4501 to 5500	150
5501 to 6500	160
6501 to 7500	170
7501 and over	180

# National Congress of American Indians

## 2004-2005 TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NEW MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

TO: NCAI RULES AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE  
1301 Connecticut Avenue, NW 2nd Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20036

FROM: Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation  
(Tribe, Pueblo, Native Village)  
ADDRESS: 404 Frontage Road  
New Town, ND 58763  
PHONE: (701) 627-4781 FAX: (701) 627-4748

is hereby applying for membership in the National Congress of American Indians.  
ENCLOSED are the proper credentials in accordance with the NCAI Constitution and By-Laws.

1. Tribal Resolution (*attached*)
2. Names of Official Delegate and Alternates:

Delegate: Tex G. Hall, Chairman  
Alternate: Mervin Packineau, V-Chairman  
Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Tribal Membership Dues of \$ 1,000.<sup>00</sup>

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Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

Enclosures: •Tribal Resolution •Tribal Membership Dues •Individual Membership Dues



**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Executive Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes the payment of annual dues to NCAI in the amount of \$1,000 per year, which is due at each annual meeting, and further authorizes Chairman Tex G. Hall, a Tribal member, to be the Official Delegate to the NCAI meeting and further authorizes Tribal Vice-Chairman Mervin Packineau as an Official Alternate; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall be effective until otherwise amended, rescinded or replaced by a subsequent Resolution of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

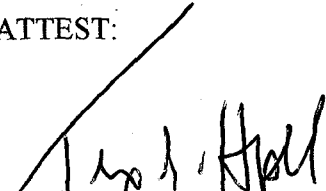
#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Executive Committee is composed of 4 members of whom 3 constitute a quorum, 4 were present at a EXECUTIVE Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 05 day of October, 2004 that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 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 05 day of October, 2004

  
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

  
Tex G. Hall  
Chairman, Tribal Business Council