



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

A Resolution entitled "Authorization for Three Affiliated Tribes' Participation in Nation Wide Elders Needs Assessment"

WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribe; 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 best interest of the welfare and the benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5 (l) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides that the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Business Council and other Tribal agencies and Tribal officials on the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Long-term care, a category that includes health promotion, home health services, personal care, housekeeping assistance, meals-on-wheels, skilled nursing care, assisted living, and other in-home services, is an emerging unmet need in Indian Country; and

WHEREAS, The University of North Dakota National Resource Center on Native American Aging has been awarded a grant through the Administration on Aging, Department of Health and Human Services, to provide technical assistance to Indian Tribes on the health and social needs of Native elderly and to assist Tribes in conducting a needs assessment; and

WHEREAS, completion of a tribal elders' needs assessment is a requirement of the Tribe's grant from the Administration on Aging; and

WHEREAS The UND National Resource Center needs assessment is designed to yield information on the following Native elder health care needs:

- General Health Status
- Activities of Daily Living
- Visual, Hearing, and Dental
- Tobacco and Alcohol Use

- Nutrition, Exercise, and Excess Weight
- Social Support, Housing, and Work



WHEREAS, In addition to providing technical assistance, the grant to University of North Dakota National Resource Center on Native American Aging is required by the Older Americans Act to perform research and disseminate the results of the research; and

WHEREAS The University of North Dakota National Resource Center on Native American Aging is asking Tribes throughout the nation to volunteer to participate in a partnership arrangement, to identify the needs of American Indian and Alaska Native elders nationwide, in which the University and the Tribe will each assume responsibilities as follows:

What the University of North Dakota will provide:

- Needs assessment instruments
- Assistance in sampling
- Training of interviewers
- Consultation with interviewers via email or telephone
- Data entry and analysis
- Data storage
- Production of tables and comparisons with national statistics

What each Tribe will provide:

- A Tribal Resolution documenting participation in the Native elder social and health needs assessment
- A list of elders to interview
- Interviewers or volunteers to conduct the survey
- Interpretation of the results with local input
- Development of recommendations for actions
- Dissemination of the results to tribal leaders and health officials

WHEREAS, Summary information from Three Affiliated Tribes' elder needs assessment along with a national comparison report from all the Tribal needs assessments, will be returned to the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Business Council and to the tribal contact person; and

WHEREAS, The confidentiality of enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes and Tribal information is of the utmost importance; therefore, the information in the elder needs assessment will be collected anonymously by tribal members with the information collected stored at the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences within a locked file cabinet and will be destroyed after a period of three years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes tribal participation in the "Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders" Native elder social and health needs assessment that



will be conducted by the University of North Dakota National Resource Center on Native American Aging; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Tribal Business Council hereby grants permission to the University of North Dakota National Resource Center on Native American Aging to use all collected needs assessment information in aggregate format for the purpose of disseminating state, regional, and national results from analyses of the data provided that the confidentiality of the elder tribal members participating in said survey is protected; and provided that a written report is submitted to the Tribal Business Council,


BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That the specific information and data collected as a result of the above authorized elder needs assessment shall belong to the Three Affiliated Tribes and such information and data shall not be released in any form to any individual, agency, or organization without the express written authorization of the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council.

CERTIFICATION

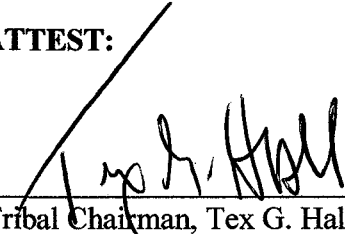
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 18 day of January, 2005, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 2 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman Voting. Not Voting.

Dated this 18 day of January 2005.



Tribal Secretary, Nathan Hale
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:


Tribal Chairman, Tex G. Hall
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes