



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

**A Resolution entitled, “*Education Standards and Practices Board Certification of North Dakota American Indian Languages Instructor.*”**

**WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws under said Act; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution and By Laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Article VI, Section 5 (l) of said Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Business Council and other Tribal agencies and Tribal officials on the Reservation; and

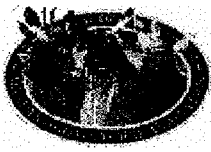
**WHEREAS,** the policy of the Tribal Business Council is to promote educational development and growth for our children in the instruction of our Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara languages, essential elements of the life, culture, and identity of the Three Affiliated Tribes; and

**WHEREAS,** the New Town Public School District shall include the instruction of the Hidatsa and Arikara languages and culture from grades kindergarten through twelfth grade and for high school graduation credit; and

**WHEREAS,** the Fifty-Fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota, has passed legislation on Senate Bill No. 2491, a bill to create and enact a new section to Chapter 15-38 of the North Dakota Century Code:

Education Standards and Practices Board-Certification of North Dakota American Indian Languages Instructor. The education standards and practices board may certify an individual as an instructor of North Dakota American Indian languages and culture if the individual is recommended for certification to teach North Dakota native languages by the indigenous language boards created by the four North Dakota Tribal Governments of the State’s Reservations and if the individual:

1. Displays competence in North Dakota American Indian languages and culture and has successfully completed a three-semester hour course in classroom instruction at a tribal college or other institution of higher education; or
2. Holds a baccalaureate degree and has knowledge of and experience in North Dakota American Indian languages and cultures



WHEREAS, Martha Baker meets criteria #1 of the North Dakota Century Code, Chapter 15-38-18.1. She has an Associates Degree from the Fort Berthold Community College. She has taught for twenty-nine years at the Three Affiliated Tribes Head Start. She has successfully completed the three hour course in classroom instruction from the University of North Dakota. She is a fluent speaker of the Hidatsa language. She has taught the Hidatsa language and culture to the Head Start students and as a credited course at the Fort Berthold Community College. She is currently teaching the Hidatsa language and culture at the New Town Middle School and New Town High School. This is her first year of employment with the school district.

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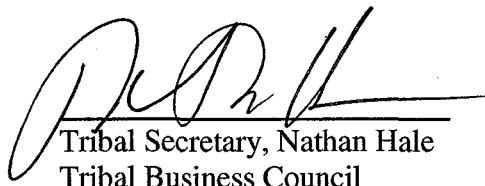
NOW THERE FOR IT BE RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes, Tribal Business Council goes on record to recognize Martha Baker as a certified language instructor.

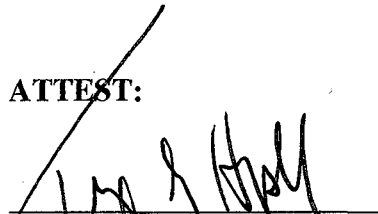
CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Forth Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 02 day of December, 2005; 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 2nd day of December, 2005.

  
Tribal Secretary, Nathan Hale  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

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