



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

A Resolution entitled, "Authorization for Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Housing Division to apply for a USDA Rural Housing Section 523 – Self-Help Homeownership Grant"

WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act and having duly adopted a Constitution and By-laws pursuant to said Act on May 15, 1936; and

WHEREAS, Article III of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes' Constitution authorizes and empowers the 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(c) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer funds within the exclusive control of the Tribes and to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for public purposes of the Tribes; 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, Article VI, Section 5 (d) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribe Provides that the Tribal Business Council has the power to negotiate with Federal, State and local governments on behalf of the Tribe and to advise and consult with representatives of the Interior Department on all activities that may affect the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

WHEREAS, To address the unmet housing needs for the members of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Business Council has established the Tribal Housing Division whose primary purpose is to provide homeownership opportunities for tribal members through the various tribal, federal and state housing development resources available to the Tribes and its members; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Housing has grant funds available through the Section 523 – Self-Help Homeownership Program which can be used for technical assistance and grant funds for low income individuals in rural areas to take part in the construction of their new home; and



WHEREAS, Grants under the Section 523 Self-Help Homeownership Program are made available to public bodies, including Indian Tribes; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Housing Division has requested authority to apply for the USDA Rural Housing Section 523 – Self-Help Homeownership Program to assist low income families in their quest for homeownership by providing a program that will allow them to take part in the construction of their new home thereby providing “sweat equity” and experience in the construction process. The Grant funds also provide for the Tribal Housing Division to manage the construction process and provide technical assistance to the potential homeowners.

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council finds that it is in the best interests of the Tribes to authorize the Tribal Housing Division to apply for said grant funds from the USDA Rural Housing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes the Director of the Housing Division to apply for a Rural Housing Section 523 – Self-Help Homeownership Grant to be used for the purposes authorized by said grant application;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes Tribal Chairman Tex G. Hall and Tribal Secretary Nathan Hale to sign all applications, agreements, assurances and other documents necessary to apply for said grant.

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 11 day of May, 2006, 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.

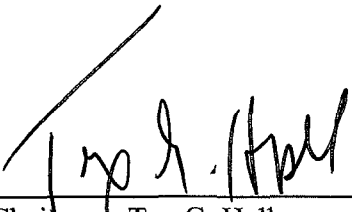
Dated this 11 day of May, 2006.



ATTEST:



Executive Secretary,
Tribal Business Council



Chairman, Tex G. Hall
Tribal Business Council