

# OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION

- A Resolution Entitled: "Fort Berthold Veterans Association non-profit corporate charter"
- 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 pursuant to said Act; 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 Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes 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, Article VI, Section 5 (1) 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, The Tribal Business Council is authorized and empowered to grant corporate charters to enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes organized for public spirited purposes; and
- WHEREAS, The enrolled members, residing on and off the Fort Berthold Reservation and recognized as the Fort Berthold Veterans Association, have requested the Tribal Business Council grant a non-profit corporate charter to the Fort Berthold Veterans Association, organized on Fort Berthold for the general purpose of providing a collective voice for and to represent the military veterans of the Fort Berthold Reservation in all matters that concern them; and
- WHEREAS, The Fort Berthold Veterans Association will serve as a means of mobilizing and coordinating the actions of veterans, community members and organizations on the Fort Berthold Reservation toward positive goals. To promote the development of future tribal leaders.

### VISION STATEMENT

To improve the mental, physical and spiritual well-being of the Tribal veterans; to promote and practice and alcohol and drug-free community style of living; and recognize and respect the heritage, culture and destiny of the *Nueta, Hidatsa and Sahnish people*.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission is to seek and establish *Formal Recognition* of the Historical Military contributions of the Nueta, Hidatsa and Sahnish peoples by institutionalizing the following core tribal Indian Veteran goals.

- formally receiving political recognition and support.
- provide a good locally based tribal health program for the Indian veterans.
  - receiving a tuition-free enrolled tribal veterans education at FBCC.
    - •continue strong support of social events performed and provided by the Fort Berthold's military units.
  - •receiving an annual tribal budget allocation to carry out the mission, goals, objectives, activities, tasks in behalf to the Fort Berthold Veteran.

## THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES VETERAN GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND ACTIVITIES

- I. HEALTH CARE
- II. LOCAL BASED RESOURCES
- III. POLITICAL RECOGNITION
- IV. CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING
- V. ACCESS TO CAPITAL
- VI. ACCESS TO TRANSPORTATION
- VII. ACCESS TO EDUCATION

### I. HEALTH CARE:

- LOCAL BASED HEALTH SYSTEM AVAILABLE TO TRIBAL VETERANS
- GOOD HEALTH CARE AT HOME (2)
- DISABLED VETERAN HEALTH SERVICES
- OLDER GUYS ARE LONESOME AND WANT TO QUIT LIVING.

## II. LOCAL BASED SERVICES AVAILABLE TO TRIBAL VETERANS ON FORT BERTHOLD

- LACK OF RECOGNITION OF VETERANS NEEDS
- LACK OF RECOGNITION OF VETERANS WHO ARE IN CRITICAL NEED OF HELP
- FORMAL RECOGNITION FROM TRIBAL LEADERSHIP.
- ESTABLISHMENT OF STRUCTURED PROGRAM VETERANS SERVICES
- LOCAL ACCESS TO VETERANS SERVICES FOR VETERANS TO BENEFIT DIRECT SERVICES AND NOT BE SENT AWAY FROM TRIBE AND REZ FOR THEIR HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE NEEDS.

## III. POLITICAL RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

- CREATION/ESTABLISHMENT OF THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS.
- BETTER POLITICAL REPRESENTATION IN TRIBAL LEADERSHIP.
- PROVIDE SITE FACILITY RECOMMEND THE OLD MUSEUM BE DONATED TO VETERANS WHEN NEW CULTURAL CENTER ESTABLISHED.

#### IV. CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING

- AWARENESS OF CULTURAL CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY INDIAN VET TO TRIBE AND NATION
- RE-ESTABLISH OLD WAY OF TRADITION OF THE INDIAN VETERAN IS FIRST TO BE RECOGNIZED, RESPECTED AND HONORED.

## V. ACCESS TO CAPITAL RESOURCES:

- ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE CAPITAL SUPPORT FROM TRIBAL GOVERNMENT
- RECEIVE VETERANS BENEFITS FROM ECONOMIC RECOVERY FUND FOR HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES RENDERER LOCALLY.

## VI. ACCESS TO TRANSPORTATION

- ASSIST INDIAN VETERANS WHO NEED TRANSPORTATION.
- MAKE IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO DRIVE PASS VETERAN ON RESERVATION HIGHWAY AND NOT OFFER A RIDE



WHEREAS, To help solve problems facing veterans on Fort Berthold; to coordinate educational, health, social and civic service projects and provide opportunities for the veterans of Fort Berthold to interact with each other through fellowship and mutual support; and

**WHEREAS**, The Tribal Business Council finds that it is in the best interests of the Tribes, its members, and military veterans of Fort Berthold to grant the charter.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to its constitutional power and authority, the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby grants a non-profit corporate charter to the Fort Berthold Veterans Association, a true and correct copy of charter is hereto attached.

#### **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, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 9th day of March 20067; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 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 [x] voting. [ ] not voting.

Dated this 9th day of March 2007.

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Secretary, V. Judy Brugh Tribal Business Council Chairman, Marcus Wells, Jr. Tribal Business Council