



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

**A Resolution Entitled: *“Nu’eta Language Revitalization Project”***

- 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 procedure of the Tribal Business Council and other Tribal agencies and Tribal officials on the Reservation; 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,** The Three Affiliated Tribes continue to speak three separate and distinct Tribal Languages of Mandan (Nueta), Hidatsa and Arikara; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes supports institutional and individual endeavors to revitalize and perpetuate the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara languages; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Native Voices Endowment: A Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Legacy Endangered Language Fund has a current Call For Proposals 2007 “for the purpose of revitalizing and perpetuating the aboriginal languages of the American Indian Nations whose ancestors encountered the 1803-1806 Lewis & Clark Expedition”; and,
- WHEREAS,** Cory Spotted Bear, an enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes (301 U-6647) who has previously studied the Mandan language, wishes to submit a community-based grant as a student of the Mandan language engaged in study with Edwin Benson, the last fluent speaker of the Mandan language; and,
- WHEREAS,** Cory Spotted Bear will document his sessions with Edwin Benson via digital tape and video recordings for pedagogical use by schools and individuals; and,





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WHEREAS, Cory Spotted Bear acknowledges that he will carry out his grant research in an ethical manner so as not to violate any cultural protocol and such assurances have been presented that are congruent with the protocols and values of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Tribes also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes and the project including the research and use of materials upon conclusion of said research meets the ethical standards of the Tribe;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council recognizes the Nu'eta Language Revitalization Project as a tribal community language program, which is an eligible recipient of grant funds under the Native Voices Endowment...; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes Cory Spotted Bear to submit the Nueta grant application to the Endangered Language Fund, *Native Voices Endowment: A Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Legacy* in order to receive grant funding to be expended for the purposes outlined above and in the grant application.

CERTIFICATION

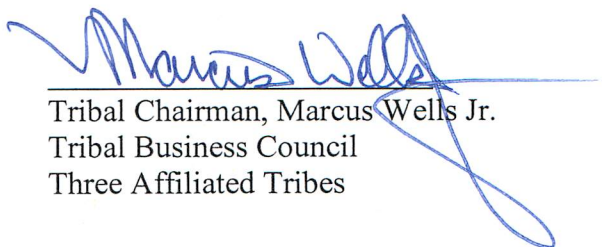
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2007; 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2007

ATTEST:

  
Tribal Secretary, V. Judy Brugh  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

  
Tribal Chairman, Marcus Wells Jr.  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes