



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

A Resolution Entitled: *Authorization for the Native American Training Institute to Apply for an ANA Grant to Develop a Training System for Tribal Child Welfare Programs*”

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 (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, the Three Affiliated Tribes along with the other (4) North Dakota Tribal Nations and the Trenton Indian Service Area, by Tribal Resolution, established the Native American Training Institute (formerly the Native American Children and Family Services Training Institute), in 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Training Institute (NATI) is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of ND Tribal Child Welfare Directors and other key stakeholders representing legal, education, parent, and human services perspectives; who identify needs of their local communities and provide direction to NATI to address those needs; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Training Institute provides unique, culturally-relevant training and curriculum packages for Tribal professionals working with Native American children and families; and



WHEREAS, the Native American Training Institute is an eligible non-profit, tribally-chartered entity to receive funds through the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Native Americans, Social and Economic Development Program; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Training Institute has been designated by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Spirit Lake Sioux Tribe, the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, and the Trenton Indian Service Area, as a result of local community meetings and community needs assessments at our respective reservations to develop a Tribal Child Welfare Training System and conduct the following objectives within the next three years:

1. Develop an Orientation and Basic Introduction Program for Tribal Child Welfare Administrators and staff.
2. Develop a Tribal Child Welfare certification curriculum for Case Workers
3. Develop an Orientation and Basic training program for Tribal Child Welfare Child Protection Investigators and partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, The NATI is proposing to develop and complete this project through a grant from the Department and Health and Human Services Administration for Native Americans SEDs grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Business Council finds that the objectives identified in this project are consistent with the Administration for Native Americans SEDS regulations as training recipients are members of the Native American Institute and accomplishment of objectives will strengthen tribal capability to design and administer child welfare services and supports leading to enhanced safety, permanency and well-being of children and families on our reservation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, as follows:

1. the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes the Native American Training Institute to submit the attached application and budget in the amount of \$275,000 to the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Native Americans to conduct the project objectives identified in this Resolution.
2. the Three Affiliated Tribes will coordinate with the Native American Training Institute to ensure that appropriate staff from various tribal departments will attend, participate, coordinate and implement local activities and collaborate to accomplish the project



objectives to achieve the outcomes of this comprehensive organizational improvement strategy for a Tribal Child Welfare Training System.

CERTIFICATION

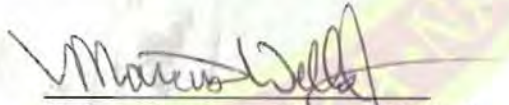
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 13 day of March 2008; 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 13 day of March 2008.

ATTEST:


Acting Tribal Secretary, Malcolm Wolf
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes


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