



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

A Resolution Entitled: *“Tribal Housing Division authorization to apply for North Dakota Housing Finance Community Partners Program. For the North East Segment Housing Sub Division Development ”*

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, 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 Tribal Housing Division proposes to finance and construct ten (10) new homes on Tribal land located west of Parshall in the Northeast Segment of the Reservation. The proposed subdivision development is Phase IV of the Dreamcatcher Program and will consist of single family homes that will be sold to enrolled members that are qualified Tribal Housing applicants; and



WHEREAS, Each home within the development will be located on three acre lots on tribal trust lands which will be leased or assigned to the Tribal Housing Division or the homebuyer for the development; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Housing Division intends to utilize various public and private funding sources to reduce some of the construction costs associated with the proposed development such as the infrastructure costs.

WHEREAS, Utilizing such funding sources typically requires a government entity to be the developer of the project, namely the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Housing Division; and

WHEREAS, As a government entity developer, the Tribal Housing Division has identified a program developed by the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency (NDHFA) to bridge the affordability gap that first-time homebuyers may experience in purchasing their first home.

WHEREAS, The NDHFA Community Partners Program qualifies a developer's housing project for its program. Once approved, the applicants that purchase these homes qualify for a reduction in the already low interest rate on standard NDHFA Home Mortgage Finance Program loans by 1% for the first five (5) years of the loan thereby allowing the homebuyer to qualify for a larger mortgage amount; and

WHEREAS, The Community Partners Program does require an investment equal to 20% of the project's total cost. Such investment may include the use of Tribal land for the development home sites, federal or grant funds used in property construction, etc.; and

WHEREAS, The proposed use of tribal trust lands through lease or assignment should be sufficient to cover the government entity investment program requirement.

WHEREAS, The Tribal Housing Division is seeking the approval of the Tribal Business Council to pursue this development by partnering with the NDHFA and the Tribal Business Council believes that the Tribe, acting through the Tribal Housing Division should pursue this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council hereby asserts its support and approval of the endeavors of the Tribal Housing Division to develop and seek affordable housing opportunities for the enrolled members of the Three



Affiliated Tribes including the proposed Northeast Segment Housing Sub-division construction development,

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, The Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council supports the Tribal Housing Division in its quest to provide affordable financing alternatives for the enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes and fully supports and authorizes the alliance of agencies between the Tribe and agencies such as the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency and its Community Partners Program, to maximize home financing opportunities for its members,

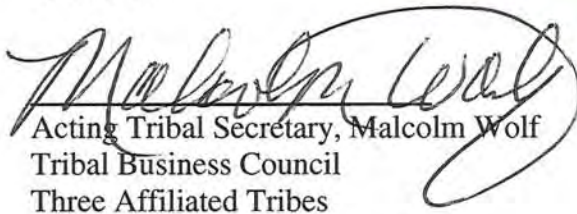
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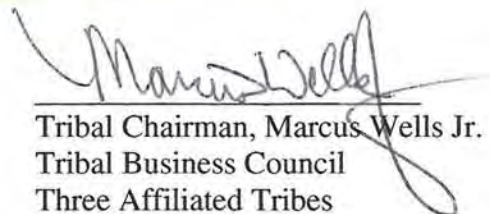
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened,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