



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

*A Resolution entitled, "Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Elders Organization nonprofit 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,** The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribe generally 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 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 Tribal Business Council, authorized and empowered to grant corporate charters to enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes organized for public spirited purposes, did, by Resolution #00-125-DSB, grant a Charter to a nonprofit corporate organization known as the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Elders Organization, dated May 4, 2000; and

**WHEREAS,** the general purpose for which the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Elders organization was chartered was to promote and improve the health and social and economic well-being of the elder members of the Three Affiliated Tribes and is, under Article V of the Charter, specified as a non-profit organization; and

**WHEREAS,** the Charter granted Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Elders Organization requires amendment in order to maintain a level of consistency and uniformity with other charters similarly granted by the Tribal Business Council; and

**WHEREAS,** Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Elders Organization has previously adopted by custom and reference Internal Revenue Service provisions for non-profit organizations to refrain from any actions considered political in nature; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation supports an amendment to the nonprofit corporate Charter granted to the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Elders Organization dated May 4, 2000, and for said amendment to be consistent with



nonprofit corporate charters granted to similar organizations to refrain from actions that are or that can be considered political in nature; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Elders Organization charter be appropriately amended to include a provision that shall read:

*“No substantial part of the activities of the Organization or Corporation shall be constituted by the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Organization or Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate*

**CERTIFICATION**

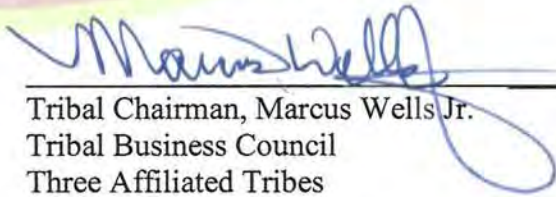
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 members, 1 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Acting Tribal Secretary Mervin Packineau  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

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