

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

- A Resolution Entitled: "Authorization of Deputation Agreement between the Three Affiliated Tribes and the Bureau of Indian Affairs office of Law Enforcement Services"
- 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 provides that the Tribal Business Council has the power to negotiate with the federal government on behalf of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, On December 7<sup>th</sup> 2007 the Tribe entered into a Self Determination Contract (Contract No. CTA04T30180) with the Bureau of Indian Affairs pursuant to the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act for the purpose of contracting law enforcement services from the BIA and the Tribe currently operates and provides law enforcement services on the Reservation pursuant to said contract; and
- WHEREAS, said Contract includes a Deputation Agreement between the Tribe and the BIA Office of Law Enforcement Services as an Attachment to the contract but which was not specifically incorporated into the contract and said Deputation Agreement has not been signed by either party and the BIA through its Technical Representative has taken the position that the Tribe does not have an approved Deputation Agreement in place; and



WHEREAS, The Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act provides that in order to enforce federal law on an Indian Reservation a tribal law enforcement officer must hold a Special Law Enforcement Commission from the BIA, Office of law Enforcement Services and BIA policies further require that a Deputation Agreement between the Tribe and the BIA be authorized to issue Special Law Enforcement Commissions; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council finds that it is imperative that the Tribe have a Deputation Agreement in place so that tribal law enforcement officers can apply for Special Law Enforcement Commissions and have the authority to enforce federal laws on the Reservation and so that they will be protected under federal criminal law for any assaults upon them while acting in the course of their duties; and

WHEREAS, the BIA policies for approval of Deputation Agreements require a tribal resolution authorizing the Tribe to enter into such agreements with the BIA; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes the Three Affiliated Tribes to enter into the attached Deputation Agreement with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the purpose of issuing Special Law Enforcement Commissions to tribal law enforcement officers and further authorizes Tribal Chairman Marcus Wells, Jr. to sign said Agreement on behalf of the Tribes.

## 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, we were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the day of 2008; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of members, members opposed, members abstained, members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [ ] voting. [ ] not voting.

Dated this 10 day of July 2008.

Acting Tribal Secretary, Mervin Packineau

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Tribal Chairman, Mareus Wells Jr.

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ATTEST: