



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

A Resolution entitled, "Consent for a 180 day extension to Bear Paw Energy, LLC for the Limited Purpose of Completion of Negotiations with all Surface Landowners for Renewal of Easement on Existing Bear Paw Gas Pipeline"

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 and By-laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes was adopted by membership of the Tribes on May 15th, 1936 pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 and duly approved by the Secretary of Interior; 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, the Three Affiliated Tribes desires to give Bear Paw Energy LLC sufficient time to contact and negotiate with all surface owners to renew its existing 20 year easement for the continued operation of a gas pipeline on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby grants its consent to the Bureau of Indian Affairs to allow a 180 day extension on the existing 20 year lease currently held by Bear Paw Energy LLC for the sole purpose of negotiating with all surface owners for an additional 20 year term; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Tribal Business Council request the 180 day extension begin on May 24, 2009, the end of the current 20 year lease term; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, Nothing in this aforementioned consent shall be construed, interpreted and/or applied as an approval or negotiation on behalf of any surface owner with regard to the renewal of any individual easement.




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 Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 22nd day of May, 2009, 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.

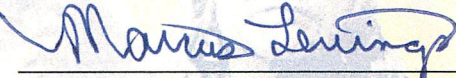
Chairman Voting. Not Voting.

Dated this 22nd day of May, 2009.

ATTEST:



Executive Secretary, V. Judy Brugh.
Tribal Business Council



Chairman, Marcus D. Levings
Tribal Business Council