

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

A Resolution Entitled Amendment to Title II, Chapter 1, Rule 4.1 of the Tribal Rules of Civil Procedure"

- 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 3 of the Constitution grants the Tribal Business Council all necessary sovereign authority, both legislative and judicial for the purpose of exercising the jurisdiction granted by Article I of the Constitution ; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to such powers the Tribal Council has adopted the Tribal Law and Order Code of the Three Affiliated Tribes which includes Title II, Rules of Civil Procedure; and
- WHEREAS, Rule 2 of the Rules of Civil Procedure require that in order to commence a civil action in the Fort Berthold District Court, a party filing the action must pay a filing fee to the Court in and tribal entities are not exempt from paying such filing fees and are required to pay the same amount as any other individual filing a suit; and



- WHEREAS, The proposed amendment to Rule 2 of the Civil Rules of Procedure has been presented to the Judicial Committee for a first reading and approved by the Judicial Committee; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council concurs with the request to Amend Rule 2 of the Civil Rules of Procedure to provide that r tribal entities will be exempt from the filing fee; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby amends Rule 2 of the Three Affiliated Tribes Rules of Civil Procedure as follows:

Rule 2. Commencement of Actions.

A suit is commenced by filing a complaint with the clerk of court, and a summons endorsed by the Clerk., A filing fee will be required and paid to the clerk Any tribal entity shall be exempt from paying the a filing fee of required by this rule. Tribal entities include the Three Affiliated Tribes, or any of its sub-divisions or chartered organizations. A case number must be assigned by the clerk.

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, $\underline{6}$ were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 21° day of \underline{May} 2010; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of $\underline{6}$ members, $\underline{\circ}$ members opposed, $\underline{0}$ members abstained, $\underline{\circ}$ members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [] voting. [] not voting.

Dated this 21 stay of May 2010

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, V. Judy Brugh Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

Tribal Chairman, Marcus Levings Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes