



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

***A Resolution entitled, "Missouri River Resources Right of First Refusal to Mineral Interests of the Three Affiliated Tribes"***

**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 15<sup>th</sup>, 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 Tribal Business Council has created Missouri River Resources to participate in and profit from the oil and gas exploration on its lands, and to ensure the Three Affiliated Tribes receives the benefits of the natural resources beneath its land.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** The Tribal Business Council will offer to Missouri River Resources, by a period of 60 days, the first opportunity to lease, explore and extract oil and gas resources, at terms that meets the goals of the Tribe and Missouri River Resources, land and rights held in trust by the Department of the Interior for the benefit of the Three Affiliated Tribes now and in the future.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Tribal Council directs Missouri River Resources and the Tribal Land Office to work in cooperation with one another to determine if any tribal lands are now available to Missouri River Resources to lease, commence exploration, and engage in subsequent activities.





**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, 6 were present at a **Regular** Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of **December**, 2011, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 members, 0 members opposed, 2 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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of **December**, 2011

**ATTEST:**

  
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Executive Secretary, V. Judy Brugh.  
Tribal Business Council

  
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Chairman, Tex G. Hall  
Tribal Business Council

