



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

A Resolution Entitled: "Authorization for the Health Professions Survey by NORC."

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 Tribes 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, Article IV, Section 5(l) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides the Tribal Business Council authority to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Council and other Tribal Agencies and Tribal Officials of the Reservation.

WHEREAS, the Administration of Children and Families (ACF) awarded Cankdeska Cikana Community College (CCCC) a total of \$8,417,761 through a cooperative agreement to implement the Next Steps: An Empowerment Model for Native People Entering the Health Professions program over a five year period (10/01/2010 – 9/29/2015); and

WHEREAS, the Next Steps program will serve Native American Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients and other low income individuals who are interested in pursuing a career in health care that lead to well-paying employment opportunities for three reservations and one urban Indian area to include: Spirit Lake Nation, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Three Affiliated Tribes and urban Bismarck; and



WHEREAS, ACF has contracted with the National Opinion Research Center (NORC) at the University of Chicago and their partners, Red Star Innovations and the National Indian Health Board (known collectively as the Tribal evaluation team) to conduct culturally and community based evaluation over the next four years focusing on the implementation and outcomes of the Tribal health professions opportunity grants (HPOG) program; and

WHEREAS, any information (individual and community information, site visit reports, program reports, and good practice briefs) collected by NORC and their partners will be used to identify program successes, challenges, best practices and lessons learned, and to tell the story of the Tribal HPOG grantees. In turn, this information will be used by the Tribal grantees to improve their program and better meet tribal needs; and

WHEREAS, NORC at the University of Chicago and their partners in accordance with protection of human subject research will remove all identifiers from gathered information to protect the anonymity and confidentiality of the Three Affiliated Tribal participants; and

WHEREAS, NORC recognizes the sovereignty of the Three Affiliated Tribes and acknowledges that upon the conclusion of the Federal evaluation, the Three Affiliated Tribes will retain ownership and control over the specific information collected within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation and will receive a copy of the final quantitative data file; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes grants permission to National Opinion Research Center (NORC) at the University of Chicago and their partners to collect information to evaluate the Next Steps Project and write reports for the primary purpose of program enhancement; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that upon the conclusion of the Federal evaluation, specific information collected within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation belongs to the Three Affiliated Tribes and may not be released in any form to individuals, agencies, or organizations without additional tribal authorization.



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, _ were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 12th day of July, 2012, 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 12th day of July, 2012.

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

ATTEST:

Tribal Chairman, Tex G. Hall
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes