

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

A Resolution entitled, "Approving Submission of the Northern Plains Native American Research Center for Health (NARCH) VII Grant Application."

- 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, The Great Plains Tribal Chairmen's Health Board (GPTCHB) is composed of seventeen (17) Tribes and one (1) Health organization in a four state area; North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, and Iowa; and
- WHEREAS, Federally recognized Indian Tribes have an absolute right to health care from the Federal Government, based on treaty rights, on Congressional Acts, on Federal Court decisions, and on the Federal Government's trust responsibility to Indian Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The GPTCHB is primarily responsible for the health concerns and needs of the Indian Tribes in the Aberdeen Area; and
- WHEREAS, The Board has delegated the responsibility of providing timely and useful health data to the Northern Plains Tribal Epidemiology Center (NPTEC); and
- WHEREAS, The Northern Plains Native American Research Center for Health (NARCH) VII will be administered by NPTEC and will be conducted in collaboration with area universities; and
- WHEREAS, The overall purpose of the Northern Plains NARCH VII funding opportunity is to support the development of Northern Plains American Indian communities in research partnerships, build upon strengths for addressing health disparities, and to increase the pool trained AI/AN scientists and research professionals; and

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WHEREAS, The specific projects to be proposed under Northern Plains NARCH VII include the following:

- 1. Student Development Project (PI: Warne, GPTCHB)
- 2. A Novel Approach to Screening for Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) in Native Americans (PI: Islam, University of Nebraska Medical Center)
- 3. Feasibility of Developing an American Indian Biobank in the Northern Plains (PI: Warne, North Dakota State University)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council by this Resolution does hereby support the submission of the Northern Plains NARCH VII application to the Indian Health Service for FY 2012 through the Northern Plains Tribal Epidemiology Center working with academic and tribal partners to benefit the health needs of Northern Plains American Indians.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That support for the NARCH VII application is conditioned upon the NPTEC's administration being subject to the oversight of the Fort Berthold Tribal Health Department for actions that affect the Three Affiliated Tribes.

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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, <u>5</u> were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the <u>18th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 2012, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of <u>5</u> members, <u>0</u> members opposed, <u>0</u> members abstained, <u>0</u> members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2012.

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

ATTEST:

Tribal Chairman, Tex Hall Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes