



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

A Resolution entitled, “Establishment of a Department to Administer the Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah, Sahnis waaplsis, Aki numuk aki tawatesh sha geddish”

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 (MHA Nation) 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 MHA Nation 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, Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(c) of the MHA Nation's Constitution, the Tribal Business Council is authorized administer and make expenditures from available tribal funds for public purposes of the MHA Nation; and

WHEREAS, Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah, Sahnis waaplsis, Aki numuk aki tawatesh sha geddish (the People’s Fund) was established for the benefit of the members and future generations of the MHA Nation, consisting of revenue saved from the development of the MHA Nation's nonrenewable oil and gas resources; and

WHEREAS, Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah, Sahnis waaplsis, Aki numuk aki tawatesh sha geddish has grown to over one hundred million dollars and now requires day-to-day administration and an administrative plan to provide distributions from the fund to eligible tribal members; and

WHEREAS, Currently no system exists for the administration, expansion, and distribution of Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah, Sahnis waaplsis, Aki numuk aki tawatesh sha geddish; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council believes it is necessary to establish a tribal governmental Department staffed by individuals with skills to administer the Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah, Sahnis waaplsis, Aki numuk aki tawatesh sha geddish.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby creates a separate Department which is tasked with the day-to-day administration of the Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah, Sahnis waaplsis, Aki numuk aki tawatash sha geddish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the affairs of the Department shall be managed by a Director, who shall be advised by an Advisory Board composed of seven persons, including the Chairman of the Board and six members from each of the following segments of the Reservation: (1) Four Bears; (2) Mandaree; (3) New Town/Little Shell; (4) Parshall/Lucky Mound; (5) Twin Buttes; and (6) White Shield. The Chairman of the Board shall be nominated by the Tribal Chairman, subject to approval by the Tribal Council. The remaining Board members shall be nominated by the Council member for their respective segments, subject to approval by the Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each Board member shall have the following qualifications: (1) knowledge of the Fort Berthold Reservation and its people, (2) financial management or planning experience, and (3) a reputation for trustworthiness and honesty. The initial advisory Board is appointed as follows:

1. Chairman: Michael Granbois
2. Four Bears: Annette Young Bird
3. Mandaree: Rosie Johnson
4. New Town/Little Shell: Thomasina Mandan
5. Parshall/Lucky Mound: Cindy Packineau
6. Twin Buttes: Alyce Spotted Bear
7. White Shield: Thomas Eagle

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Advisory Board's term of office shall be four years commensurate with the term of office for each segment's Council representative and, in the case of the Chairman of the Board, commensurate with the term of office of the Tribal Chairman. Each member of the Board shall hold office until his/her successor has been appointed and has qualified.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board should meet within 30 days of all members being appointed to establish by-laws and elect officers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council shall appoint a Director to administer the day-to-day affairs of the Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director shall be responsible for administering Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah on a day-to-day basis. The Director shall; (1) with the assistance of the Advisory Board or its representative members hold public meetings in each Community for the purpose of developing and presenting to the Tribal Council a Distribution and eligibility Plan to govern the distribution of funds from Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah to eligible members of the MHA Nation, which shall include procedures for offsetting distributions against liquidated debts owed by the payee to the MHA Nation or any of its agencies, (2) develop a set of criteria for the initial eligibility and continuing eligibility to receive funds, (4) coordinate with the Enrollment Office in order to maintain an up to date list of enrolled members and their addresses, (5) Provide a direct telephone number for members to obtain information on the fund, and (6) assist the Tribal Council or its authorized delegates in the development of a comprehensive Financial Plan for the preservation, investment and expansion of the Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Distribution Plan shall not be implemented until it is presented to and approved by the Tribal Business Council and thereafter submitted to a referendum vote in accordance with Article VIII of the Constitution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Chairman is hereby authorized to take such further actions as are necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.



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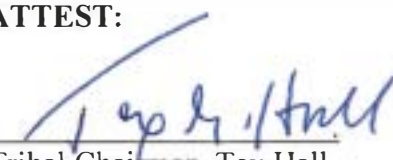
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 24th day of January, 2013, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 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 24th day of January, 2013.



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

ATTEST:


Tribal Chairman, Tex Hall
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes