



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

A Resolution entitled, "Approval of Special Legal Counsel Contract to Retain Van Norman & Associates LLC to provide Legal Services on Taxation, Regulatory Authority, Tribal Self-Government, and Economic Development."

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 Tribe 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

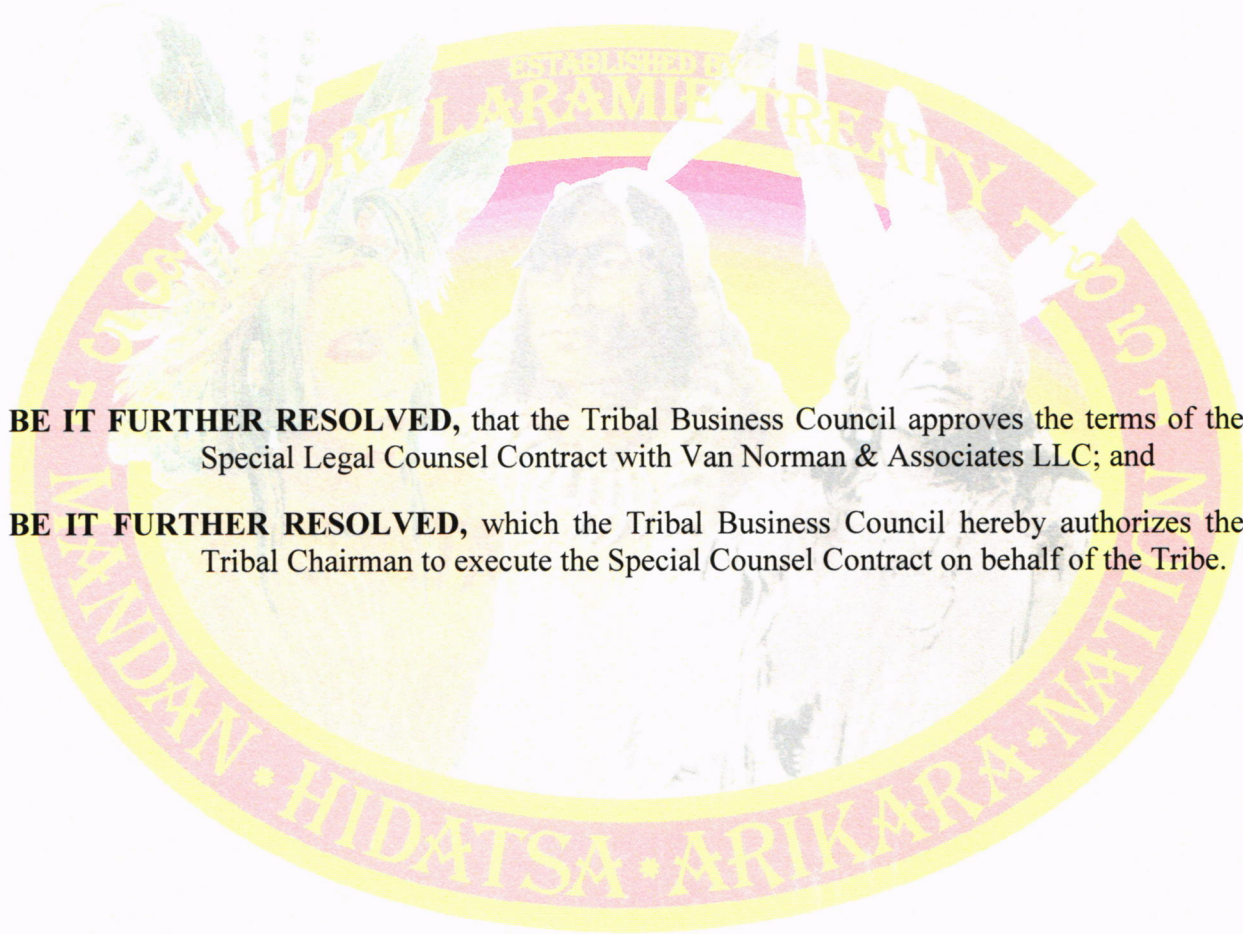
WHEREAS, Article III of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 3(a) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically grants to the Tribal Business Council the power to employ legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council desires to engage legal counsel to provide the MHA Nation taxation, regulatory authority, economic development, and tribal self-government to address increasing oil and gas development on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

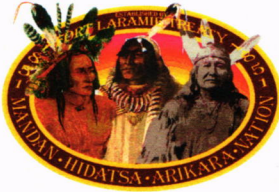
WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council has reviewed and negotiated the terms of a Special Counsel Contract under which the law firm of Van Norman & Associates LLC will assist the Tribal Business Council by providing the legal services necessary to complete the activities referenced above under the direction of the Tribal Business Council; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation hereby authorizes and approves the Tribe to engage the legal services of Van Norman & Associates, LLC for a period of two (2) years at the rate of \$250.00 per hour for attorneys and \$125.00 per hour for law clerks and paralegals with an annual budget of \$60,000 for legal work and expenses not to exceed \$5000.00; and



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council approves the terms of the Special Legal Counsel Contract with Van Norman & Associates LLC; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, which the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman to execute the Special Counsel Contract on behalf of the Tribe.



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, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 13th day of August, 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 13th day of August, 2013.

ATTEST:

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

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

