

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

## A Resolution Entitled: "A Resolution to Approve Memorandum of Agreement with Federal Highway Administration to Construct Charging Eagle Bay Bridge."

- WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 ("IRA"), 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 responsibility for addressing the transportation-related needs and priorities within the Fort Berthold Reservation has increasingly fallen upon the MHA Nation; and
- WHEREAS, The inundation of the Fort Berthold Reservation caused by the Pick-Sloan Project effectively separated the Reservation into six (6) geographic segments, physically fragmenting the Reservation and the Nation's communities; and
- WHEREAS, On August 13, 2013, the Business Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 13-146, requesting the federal government fund the construction of the Charging Eagle Bay Bridge as authorized by Public Law 91-611 (Dec. 1970); and
- WHEREAS, Construction of the Charging Eagle Bay Bridge will help unite the Reservation, reducing travel time between the six (6) geographic segments; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribes requested the Central Federal Lands Highway Division of the Federal Highway Administration provide engineering services, project delivery services, and other related technical support for the construction of Charging Eagle Bay Bridge; and
- WHEREAS, The Central Federal Lands Highway Division has prepared a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") by which it will provide the planning, environmental compliance and permitted, design, contracting, right-of-way, construction, administration, peer exchange, and other related technical services; and



**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Tribal Business Council has determined it is in the best interest of the MHA Nation to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement through which the Central Federal Lands Highway Division will provide the above referenced services to the Three Affiliated Tribes in their efforts to construct the Charging Eagle Bay Bridge; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Tribal Chairman is hereby authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the Central Federal Lands Highway Division with regard to Charging Eagle Bay Bridge.

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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>6</u> were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the <u>10<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2014, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of <u>6</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 <u>10<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2014.

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

**ATTEST:** 

Chairman Tex G. Hall Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes