## **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-083-LKH**



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

A Resolution entitled, "Appointment of a Special Judge to preside over cases that are a conflict of interest to the regular Judges within the MHA Nation District Court"

- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18 1934, and the Authority under 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 the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 5(1) 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; and
- WHEREAS, It is the considered judgment of the Tribal Business Council that a special judge of the MHA Nation be appointed to serve in the event the regular judges of the MHA Nation District Court are recused on the basis of conflicts of interests; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council has taken into account that a Special Judge is needed who will uphold exemplary judicial standards, and who is knowledgeable of the Code of Laws of the MHA Nation and Federal Indian law; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council has selected Terry Pechota of the Pechota Law Firm, whose address is 1617 Sheridan Lake Rd, Rapid City, SD 57702, to serve as Special Judge for the MHA Nation District Court; and
- NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes appoints Terry Pechota, Attorney at Law, Rapid City, South Dakota, to serve as a special judge for the MHA Nation.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the rate of compensation for the special judge shall be Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) per day.

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## CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 2015, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members, abstained, 1 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [ X ] Voting. [ ] Not voting.

Dated this 28th day of May, 2015.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, L. Kenneth Hall

Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox

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