

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

A Resolution entitled, "Approval of the July 2016 Distribution from the Nuxbaaga Iidaa Uuh Waa Zaah, Sahnis waaplsisu, Akinumukaki Tawaatashekeres"

- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes (the "MHA 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 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 waalpsis, Aki numuk aki tawatesh sha geddish (the "People's Fund") was established as a way to promote the general welfare of the Tribe and its members through the fair and equitable distribution to duly enrolled tribal members of revenues derived from the MHA Nation's nonrenewable oil and gas resources, while preserving a revenue base for future generations; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council, by Resolution No. 13-004-VJB established a Tribal governmental Department (the "Department") to provide day-to-day administration and to develop an administrative plan to provide distributions from the Fund to eligible members; and
- WHEREAS, The Department has prepared an administrative plan entitled "People's Fund Distribution and Eligibility Plan" which establishes the rules of eligibility and a framework for making distributions from the People's Fund to eligible tribal members.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby approves the People's Fund 2016 Distribution according to the Distribution and Eligibility Plan, as modified by this Resolution.



- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council authorizes and directs the administrator of the People's Fund to make the 2016 distribution in the amount of \$1000 in accordance with the Distribution and Eligibility Plan to each eligible MHA Nation Tribal member enrolled as of July 13, 2016.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** The Tribal Business Council authorizes a waiver of the Distribution and Eligibility Plan to allow disbursements to those under age 21 in accordance with the following terms and conditions:
  - 1. Enrolled members under the age of 14 as of July 13, 2016 are required to have a legal guardian fill out the "Instruction for Disbursement Form" and return the Form to the Finance Office in order to receive the disbursement. Forms will be available at the Tribal Finance office, Segment offices and the MHA website.
  - 2. Enrolled members under the age of 14 as of July 13, 2016 in the custody of the Three Affiliated Tribes (eg. foster care) shall have their disbursement deposited in a trust account until the age of 18.
  - 3. Enrolled members between the ages of 14 to 21 shall be entitled to the distribution authorized by this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Chairman and Treasurer are hereby authorized to take such further actions as are necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** The Disbursement authorized by this Resolution shall be sent via U.S. Mail to the last known address of the individual no later than August 5th, 2016.



## **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 Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, 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 13th day of July, 2016.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary L. Kenneth Hall

Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox

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