



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

A Resolution Entitled: “Approval of Dr. Myra Parker to Conduct a Qualitative Study of Indigenous Protection Factors Related to Alcohol Abuse”

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, Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of Constitution and By Laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes 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 Three Affiliated Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes that, due in part to historical trauma, certain physical and mental health factors prevalent within American Indian populations may increase the rate of alcohol use. Some of these factors include: unemployment, poverty, and depression. Youth also have a high risk for alcohol problem use. Combined with developmental processes, alcohol use may place youth at higher risk for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). Culture may play an important role in protecting American Indian youth from problem alcohol use and associated health problems, however the relationships between culture and alcohol use represents a critical gap in the health research literature; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Health’s National Institute on Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse and the National Institute on Mental Health have determined that research among American Indian communities is a priority to ensure the elimination of American Indian health disparities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed youth behavioral health research study will be administered by Myra Parker (Mandan/Hidatsa), J.D., Ph.D., Principal Investigator, Assistant Professor in the Center for the Study of Health and Risk Behavior in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences in the University of Washington (UW) School of Medicine and Associate Director of the Center for Indigenous Health Research based in the Indigenous Wellness Research Institute at the UW School of Social Work. All data will be collected through the internet and in-person with MHA youth, school staff, parents, and elders; the study will examine cultural protective factors and American Indian youth alcohol use and risk behaviors related to STDs; and



WHEREAS, 215 people will be recruited from the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation to participate in an in-person interview to study cultural protective factors and a survey about cultural protective factors, alcohol use, and risk behaviors related to STD infection. Participants will be asked to complete in-person interviews to examine cultural factors and fill out web based surveys to measure alcohol use and risk behaviors related to STD infection in youth; and

WHEREAS, each participant will receive compensation of \$20.00 for approximately 60-90 minutes of participation; and, the MHA Tribe will receive a report specific to the reservation population for use in future intervention and/or grant writing; and

WHEREAS, any information collected from these research studies, will be owned by the MHA Tribe, and analyzed by Myra Parker, J.D., Ph.D. (Principal Investigator) and research study staff. The data for this proposed tribal alcohol research study will be stored at UW for a period of 6 years before being destroyed by shredding; and

WHEREAS, Myra Parker, J.D., Ph.D., Principal Investigator and her participatory team, in accordance with NIH grant award requirements, wishes to use the data to write papers for publication in reputable, recognized journals, to disseminate the results, and will abide by any tribal directives regarding anonymity and confidentiality of the MHA Nation and research participants; and

WHEREAS, copies of any published articles and other materials from the study, will be available to the Tribal Council for dissemination to increase the body of knowledge specific to the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation grants permission to the researcher (Myra Parker, J.D., Ph.D.) to use all collected information to write and submit papers for journal publication for the purpose of increasing the body of research for American Indian populations;

BE IT FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, specific information collected belongs to the MHA Nation and may not be released in any form to individuals, agencies, or organizations without additional tribal authorization.

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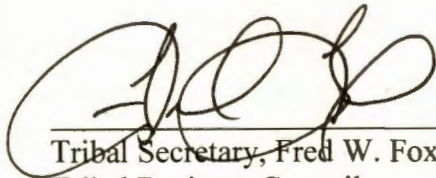


CERTIFICATION

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, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 8th day of March, 2017, 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.

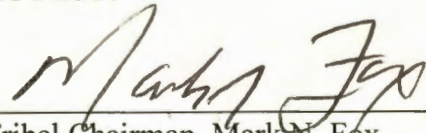
Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2017.



Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:



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