



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

A Resolution Entitled, “*Support for S. 1116 – the Indian Community Economic Enhancement Act of 2017*”

- WHEREAS,** The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (“MHA Nation”) having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (“Act”), and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-Laws pursuant to said Act; and
- WHEREAS,** The MHA Nation has the inherent authority to impose taxes on economic activity within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, to defray the cost of providing essential governmental services, and to fund essential government services; and
- WHEREAS,** Article III, Section I of the Constitution of the MHA Nation provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council’s responsibility includes promoting the health, security, economic, and general welfare, of both members and non-members residing or conducting business on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** Sen. John Hoeven (R-ND) recently introduced S. 1116, a bill to amend the Native American Business Development, Trade Promotion and Tourism Act of 2000, the Buy Indian Act, and the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide industry and economic development opportunities to Indian communities; and
- WHEREAS,** The bill would remove barriers to access to capital, require tribal consultation and participation and address federal capital improvement programs to achieve its primary goal of bringing industry and economic development to Indian communities; and
- WHEREAS,** Sen. Hoeven currently serves as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs and represents the MHA Nation in Congress, as part of his Congressional District.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** The Tribal Business Council of the MHA Nation, pursuant to its constitutional authority, supports Chairman Hoeven’s efforts with S. 1116 to provide industry and economic development to Indian communities, including the MHA Nation, and requests Congress to pass S. 1116.

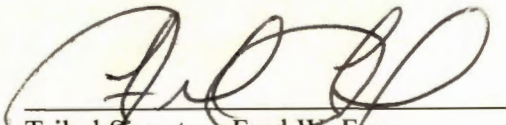


CERTIFICATION

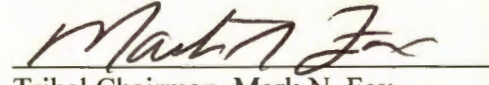
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 15th day of November, 2017, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 2 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2017.



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

ATTEST:


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