

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

## A Resolution entitled, "Approval of the 2018 Fort Berthold Reservation Burn Ban"

- 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, The Constitution and By-laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes was adopted by membership of the Tribes on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1936 pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 and duly approved by the Secretary of Interior; 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 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 Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, The Fort Berthold Reservation has very dry conditions with significant fuel supplies available; and
- WHEREAS, Fort Berthold has sustained or been threatened with wildland fire as of this date, the Three Affiliated Tribes Fire Management (TAT Fire) has been in consultation with BIA Regional Fire Management personnel; and
- WHEREAS, All available resources remain committed to protecting life and property and the cost of response, inordinate equipment wear and fire damages may be in excess of TAT Fire resources; and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby declares a Fire Emergency and Burn Ban to include a ban on ignition of fireworks, garbage burning, campfires, burning of farm or crop land and unnecessary off-road motorized travel when the North Dakota Rangeland Fire Index is in the High, Very High, or Extreme Category and/or a Red Flag Warning has been issued for any of the Counties located within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. The daily Rangeland Fire Index can be found at the following web site;

http://www.nd.gov/des



NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council recognizes the significance of the Independence Day holiday and desires to provide authorization for the Tribal Segment/Communities and Four Bears Casino fireworks displays. In the event weather conditions meet Burn Ban criteria, TAT Fire, working in consultation with the various Segment Tribal Council Representative will make the determination of suspending a Burn Ban at that time.

NOW BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, Any individual who willfully violates the Fort Berthold Burn Ban will be held responsible for any and all damages and restitution of all Fire Suppression costs due to said Fort Berthold Burn Ban violation.

## 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, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 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 10th day of May, 2018.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Frederick W. Fox

Tribal Business Council

Chairman, Mark N. Fox

Tribal Business Council