



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

A Resolution Entitled, *“Authorizing \$250,000 to the Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation aka the Missouri Valley Heritage Alliance”*

WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (MHA Nation), also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes, having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, the authority under said Act, and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws under said Act, and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of its Constitution and By-Laws, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the MHA Nation; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(1) of said Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt Resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Business Council, its agencies and officials; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(c) of the Constitution of the MHA Nation authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer funds within the exclusive control of the Nation and to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for public purposes for the Nation; and

WHEREAS, The Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation, also known as the Missouri Valley Heritage Alliance (the Foundation) has invited the MHA Nation to become a project partner in building a visitor center on the Missouri River at Bismarck. The facility will house a restaurant with food and beverage service, a gift shop with ticket concessions for the Lewis and Clark Riverboat, and interpretive displays with an interactive kiosk to guide and encourage visitors to explore the scenic, historic, and recreational opportunities that abound on our reach of the Missouri in the Northern Plains National Heritage Area; and

WHEREAS, The Foundation proposed the MHA Nation grant a gift of \$250,000 to the Heritage River Landing capital campaign; and

WHEREAS, In return for the contribution, the Foundation has offered:

(1) To steer visitor traffic from Bismarck to the proposed MHA Interpretive Center & Amphitheatre at the MHA Earth Lodge Village and Four Bears Casino with an MHA branded interpretive display at the Heritage River Landing. Our visitor center will be visible from I-94, the busiest traffic corridor on the Northern Plains.



- (2) To promote heritage tourism at Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara historic village sites including Knife River, On-a Slant, Double Ditch, and Chief Looking's Villages in the Northern Plains National Heritage Area (NPNHA) through an interactive visitor kiosk at the Heritage River Landing.
- (3) To provide a sales and marketing outlet at the Heritage River Landing gift shop for works of MHA artists and crafts-persons through a 5-year memorandum of understanding.
- (4) To create a Native Peoples of the Missouri River – the First Farmers – audio narrative for themed heritage tours on the Lewis & Clark Riverboat.
- (5) To provide future grant opportunities through the Missouri Valley Heritage Alliance and the Northern Plains Heritage Foundation to support enhancements at MHA themed NPNHA parks and historic sites and to MHA heritage education projects and programming.
- (6) To transfer ownership of a 5.443-acre land parcel, subject to a conservation easement, immediately adjacent to Fort Lincoln State Park, below the On a Slant Village site, from The Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation to the MHA Nation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes a contribution to the Foundation in the amount of \$250,000, subject to the execution of an agreement that incorporates the terms set forth above.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement, subject to legal review, that incorporates the terms and conditions stated in this Resolution.

(SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW)




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 10th day of **May**, 2018, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

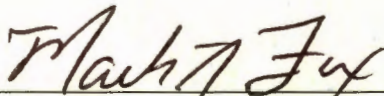
Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 10th day of May, 2018.

ATTEST:



Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox
Tribal Business Council



Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox
Tribal Business Council