



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

A Resolution entitled, "Approval of Further Construction and Costs for the MHA Nation Interpretive Center Project and Authorization for Appropriation for Additional Construction and Costs."

- 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 of the Three Affiliated Tribes (or "Tribes" or "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 Tribes 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,** The Architectural and Engineering design for the Interpretive Center has been completed; and
- WHEREAS,** The MHA Interpretive Center Department has developed an Interpretive Center that will serve as a source of education, tribal history, and cultural preservation. The goals of the MHA Interpretive Center are to protect, preserve, and educate the world about the living culture, history, and environment of the sovereign MHA Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** The MHA Interpretive Center will serve as the site for quality educational, interpretative programming not only for the visiting public, but for the Tribes' regional non-tribal neighbors and local tribal members as well. The activities of the MHA Interpretive Center provide an excellent opportunity to engage and educate our visitors, neighbors, and tribal members about the rich cultural heritage of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Tribes. The MHA Nation has planned for the building of the Interpretive Center since 2005; and
- WHEREAS,** The MHA Interpretive Center has contracted with DSGW and Woodstone builders to complete the Construction Design and Engineering plans. The total approved cost estimate in 2017 for the completion of construction was not to exceed \$22,000,000, and this amount, according to Resolution 17-241-FWF, was to be divided between FY 2018 and FY 2019. Because of delays in approval from the Corp of Engineers, and resultant increased tariff costs on construction material, additional Audio-Visual Equipment costs, and Entrance Road construction, the projected cost for completion of the Center has increased; and



WHEREAS, The projected cost to complete construction of the Interpretive Center is now **\$30,455,165.00**. The additional costs include Construction of a Road into the Interpretive Center and Increase in Audio and Visual Server System for the Data Asset Management System and Amphitheatre. The cost increase of \$8,455,165.00 is requested to be appropriated from the Special Projects General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2020; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council believes that approval of further construction and costs, including for a Road and additional Audio-Visual Equipment, for the MHA Interpretive Center would be in the best interests of the Three Affiliated Tribes and its members; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby formally approves additional costs associated with the construction of the MHA Interpretive Center in an amount not to exceed \$8,455,165.00, said amount to be appropriated from the Special Projects General Fund Budget FY 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the total budget to complete the MHA Interpretive Center is approved by the Tribal Business Council for an amount not to exceed \$30,455,165.00, said amount to be divided among FY 2018, FY 2019, and FY 2020.

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 13th day of June, 2013, 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 Voting. Not Voting.

Dated this 13th day of June, 2019.

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

ATTEST:

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