

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

A Resolution entitled, "Support for Jay Treaty Indian Border Crossing Rights"

- 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 ("Act"), and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-Laws pursuant to said Act; and
- WHEREAS, Article III, Section I of the Constitution of the MHA Nation (or "Tribes") provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the MHA Nation 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 Jay Treaty of 1795 provides that Indians may pass freely between the United States and Canada, but that U.S. immigration law defines Indian to be 50% or more Indian blood and not simply as a citizen of a federally-recognized tribal government; and
- WHEREAS, H.R. 2496, the "Tribal Border Crossing Parity Act", is pending federal legislation before the Congress that would improve implementation of the Jay Treaty of 1795 to provide full recognition of tribal government citizenship determinations for purposes of crossing the U.S-Canada border; and
- WHEREAS, The MHA Nation may have members that are affected by U.S. and Canadian border crossing policies and supports changes to U.S. laws and policies to respect Indian treaty rights.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Tribal Business Council of the MHA
 Nation, pursuant to its constitutional authority, supports the Tribal Border
 Crossing Parity Act to improve recognition of Jay Treaty Indian border crossing
 rights and requests Congress to enact said legislation.



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 7th day of August 2019, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 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 7th day of August 2019.

Tribal Secretary, Fred Fox

Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Chairman, Mark N. Fox Tribal Business Council