



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

***A Resolution entitled, "Three Affiliated Tribes' Affirmation with Regard to SORNA and Grant Funding Applications."***

- 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 under said Act; and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution and By Laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes, also known as the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation ("Tribes" or "MHA Nation"), 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,** Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5 (l) of said Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Business Council and other Tribal agencies and Tribal officials on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** The increase in sexual offenses in the United States (or "U.S.") and Indian Country by repeat sexual offenders has prompted the U.S. Congress and the States to enact sex offenders registration and notification laws with stricter criminal penalties for violations; and
- WHEREAS,** In 2006 the U.S. Congress enacted Public Law 109-248, the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act, and also enacted the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) which comprehensively revises the national standards for sex offender registration and notification; and
- WHEREAS,** Prior to adoption of the SORNA, federal laws governing sex offenders' registration provided national standards for State sex offenders' registration programs, however, there were no comparable provisions concerning sex offenders who are convicted in tribal courts or who enter the jurisdiction of Indian tribes following conviction in other jurisdictions and, as a result, there has been a lack of consistent means for tribal authorities to be notified about sex offenders entering their jurisdictions, to track those offenders, or to make information about



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those offenders available to members of tribal communities for the protection of themselves and their families; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council pursuant to its constitutional authority and pursuant to the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 2006 affirmatively elected to act as a registration jurisdiction on June 14, 2007 pursuant to Tribal Resolution No. 07-107-VJB; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribes have been awarded SORNA grant funding and the U.S. Department of Justice has a requirement that certain affirmations be made with regard to SORNA and grant funding.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby affirms that the Three Affiliated Tribes does not have any pending application submitted within the past 12 months for federally funded grants or sub-grants (including cooperative agreements) that includes request for funding to support the same project being proposed under the instant SORNA solicitation and will cover the identical cost items outlined in the budget narrative and worksheet in the application under this solicitation.

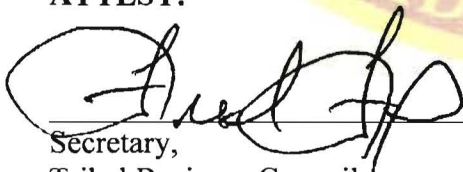
**CERTIFICATION**


I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the August day of 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 ; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.

**ATTEST:**

  
Secretary,  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

  
Tribal Chairman,  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes