



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

***A Resolution entitled, "Approving Grazing Lease For The Figure 4 Ranch"***

- WHEREAS,** The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (the "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 (the "Constitution") under said Act, and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(1) of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt Resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Council, its Agencies and Officials; and
- WHEREAS,** Article IX, Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution, provides that the Tribal Business Council has the authority to manage and lease or otherwise deal with tribal lands and resources; and
- WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5(c) of the Constitution specifically 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 Figure 4 Ranch is located within the bounds of the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Resolution No. 22-190-FWF the Tribe requested that certain tracts within the Figure Four Ranch be placed in trust and returned to the Tribe; and-
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe previously had a grazing lease with the Bureau of Land management on those tracts in the Figure 4 Ranch; and
- WHEREAS,** The grazing lease expired in 2020; and
- WHEREAS,** Fees have accrued for the use of the land without a lease; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe requests that the term of the new lease run from March 1, 2020 to February 28, 2030.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council approves, subject to legal review, the Tribal Chairman to execute a new grazing lease.



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That entering into the new grazing lease does not prejudice any rights the Tribe has to return the lands.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Tribal Business Council requests that the Bureau of Land Management waive the accrued fees.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Tribal Chairman is hereby authorized to take such further action as are deemed necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this resolution;

### **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 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023, 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023

Tribal Secretary, Fred Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

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