



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

A Resolution entitled, “*Fort Berthold Native American Church Day Proclamation - July 28, 2023.*”

WHEREAS, This Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation, also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes (“MHA Nation” or “Tribes”), 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, 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(1) of said Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Council, its Agencies and Officials; and

WHEREAS, The Native American Church, a respected member of the religious community on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Peyote, considered a holy sacrament by the Native American Church, was introduced by the Southern tribes to the Arikara and was brought to our current homelands by the Arikara people in 1923 in the small community of Nishu; and

WHEREAS, Some of our people adopted the ways of the Native American Church brought to the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Native American Church Chapter on this Reservation is now known as Fort Berthold Native American Church and is located in rural New Town, North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its long history, Fort Berthold Native American Church has been guided by its holy sacrament Peyote, and esteemed and faithful leaders; and



WHEREAS, The completion of 100 years of diligent services to its membership and community speaks to the steadfast devotion of many dedicated people who exemplify the Native American Church’s philosophy of Faith – Love – Hope – Charity; and

WHEREAS, As we celebrate 100 years of worship to the Creator God, the Fort Berthold Native American Church, utilizing its holy sacrament peyote, will mark this centennial with a one-day celebration on July 28, 2023 ending with a prayer service.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby declares the day of July 28, 2023 as Fort Berthold Native American Church Day on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation and hereby congratulates the Fort Berthold Native American Church Chapter and its membership on this exciting 100th Anniversary and wishes the Church many more wonderful years to come.

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 8th day of June, 2023, 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 Voting. Not Voting.

Dated this 8th day of June, 2023.

ATTEST:


Executive Secretary Fred Fox
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes



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