



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

A Resolution Entitled: "Authority for the MHA Emergency Operations Center to Seek on Behalf of MHA Nation the National Fire Plan-Wildland Urban Interface Community Fire Assistance for Fiscal Year 2023."

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, also known as the Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Nation ("Tribes" or "MHA") 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, Article VI, Section 5(l) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides the Tribal Business Council authority to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Council and other Tribal Agencies and Tribal Officials of the Reservation.

WHEREAS, The MHA Emergency Operations Center's mission is to reduce the overall vulnerability of communities and infrastructure on the Fort Berthold Reservation by coordinating and integrating all activities necessary to build, sustain, and improve the Tribes' capability to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from threatened or actual natural disasters, acts of terrorism, or other man-made disasters; and

WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes Wildland Fire Management with the MHA Emergency Operations Center is currently working to create and implement a comprehensive Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) for the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation to address issues such as wildfire response, hazard mitigation, community preparedness, or structure protection. This wildfire protection plan will enhance the capability of wildland fire risk management, planning, training, and mitigation services. The grant program will enable TAT Wildland Fire Management to also create a new Fire Prevention Specialist position to implement the program successfully; and



WHEREAS, The MHA Emergency Operations Center intends to apply with the Three Affiliated Tribes Wildland Fire Management for available grant funding through the Department of Interior National Fire Plan-Wildland Urban Interface Community Fire Assistance, Funding Opportunity Number F23AS00395.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes finds that application for and acceptance of such grant funding would benefit the health, welfare, and safety of the Tribes and its enrolled members; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby approves and authorizes the MHA Emergency Operations Center and TAT Wildland Fire Management on behalf of the Tribes to apply for the Department of Interior National Fire Plan-Wildland Urban Interface Community Fire Assistance, Funding Opportunity Number F23AS00395 so that the Tribes may receive federal funding to provide for necessary wildfire mitigation, response, and recovery resources for all communities and infrastructure on the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Tribal Chairman is hereby authorized to execute such documents and take such further actions as are necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.

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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 9th day of August, 2023, 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 Voting. Not Voting.

Dated this 9th day of August, 2023.

ATTEST:



Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes



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