

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

- A Resolution Entitled, "Tribal Support of Non-Profit Entities NATIVE, Inc. and NADC, Serving Native Americans in Urban Areas in North Dakota."
- WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation, also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes ("MHA Nation" or "Tribe"), 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 MHA Nation; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution 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 MHA Nation and of the enrolled members thereof; 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 Business Council, its agencies and officials; 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 Tribal Native Community Development, Inc., dba "NATIVE, Inc." is a non-profit entity, a Native American-led community development corporation serving tribal members and other disadvantaged populations living in urban areas (i.e., Bismarck, Fargo, and Grand Forks) of North Dakota with culturally responsive human and housing support services including affordable housing, behavioral health prevention services including traditional healing services, prison recidivism reentry services, domestic and sexual assault violence services, children, youth and family cultural and Indian educational programs, and lastly, advocacy and state policy to benefit to all tribal members, also known as Native Americans as many come from across the Great Plains regional area and move back and forth to and from reservations and urban areas into the Bismarck, Fargo, and Grand Forks state jurisdictions to attend college and access housing/jobs and other opportunities including healthcare. Native American adults, children, youth and families are the beneficiaries of NATIVE, Inc.'s resources, programs/services, and events; and



- WHEREAS, NATIVE, Inc. also represents that it is dedicated to providing tribal members living in urban areas with quality services that are dignified, respectable, sincere, and culturally responsive for meaningful life-changing experiences; and
- WHEREAS, In addition, the Tribal Business Council has been informed that the Native American Development Center, dba "NADC," is a non-profit entity, a Native American-led community and economic development corporation serving tribal members and other disadvantaged populations living on and off the reservations of North Dakota with micro-business and credit builder/consumer loans and financial education, small business development and workforce development services; and
- WHEREAS, NDAC also represents that it is dedicated to providing tribal members with a "large-scale" economic platform to expose small business owners/entrepreneurs/ artisans to mainstream including investors, small business network, mentor/ protege and self-promotion branding opportunities.
- **WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council has determined that the services described herein would be beneficial to Native Americans including Tribal members.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the above, the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes conveys its political support to Native Community Development, Inc., dba "NATIVE, Inc.," and its financial support in an amount to be determined by the Tribe to the Native American Development Center's Annual Winter Jam Pow-wow and future economic "large scale" event(s) in NADC's effort to administer and develop resources, services, and economic opportunities for Native Americans living and/or transitioning into urban areas within the State of North Dakota.
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Chairman is authorized to take such other action as is necessary to effectuate 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 7th day of April, 2024, 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. [X] Not Voting.

Dated this 15th day of April, 2024.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox

Tribal Business Council

Three Affiliated Tribes

Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox

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