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

- WHEREAS, This Corporation is an Indian Chartered Corporation as defined by the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 193h, and authority is granted under said Act, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Business Council is without funds for the purchase of lands on the Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, its main source of income for operating the Tribal Government is derived from the income from its agricultural lands, and
- WHEREAS, a considerable number of landowners, who are not residents of the Reservation proper, and who are not able to utilize their lands themselves, are filing applications for fee simple title to their lands in order to sell them to non-Indians who have funds available, and
- WHEREAS, the lack of funds deprives the Tribe from competing for the purchase of lands on the Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, it is anticipated that land acquisition funds will become available to the Tribal Business Council within its remaining termine of office, and
- NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation hereby requests the Superintendent, the Area Director, and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to place a moratorium on all applications for a patent in fee on Fort Berthold Indian lands until September 1, 1970, in order that the Tribe may be given an opportunity to negotiate for the purchase of any of the lands involved. if so desired.

CERTIFICATION

I, 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 10 members of whom Z constituting a quorum were present at a Special meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the Z day of fancy, 1970; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, O abstentions, D passed, and that the said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. Chairman not voting.

Dated this 2 day of January, 1970.

ATTEST:

Vincent Malnourie, Chairman

Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes Ralph Wells Jr Secretary

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