

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

- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June, 18, 1934, and authority under said Act; and
 - WHEREAS, the Constitution and By-laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the tribes and tribal members; and
 - WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes that the Petitioner before the Bureau of Indian Affairs Area Office has two unrelated provisions, namely:
 - a. to declare the 1978 Tribal elections null and void; and
 - b. to implement the Court Order of Judge Ewing, and
 - WHEREAS, it is recognized that the Bureau of Indian Affairs has no authority to void tribal elections, and
 - WHEREAS, it is recognized that Judge Ewing's apportionment is on appeal and, in fact, did not have a specific apportionment plan; and
 - WHEREAS, the Tribal Court Order by Judge Ewing in its Findings of Fact was based upon total resident population rather than merely eligible voters, taking into consideration all members rather than only those over that age of 18; and
 - WHEREAS, the Petition does not contain the signatures of 1/3 of the adult members of the group, in that, there are by Bureau of Indian Affairs count of May, 1978, 3,200 adult members of the Three Affiliated Tribes as defined by 25 CFR Section 62.5,
- NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council demand the Bureau of Indian Affairs declare the Petition insufficient due to misleading, confusing and unauthorized provisions and an inadequate number of signatures.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, the undersigned, 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 11 members of whom 7 constituting a quorum, 8 were present at a Special Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 25th day of January, 1979; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 8 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, and that the said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

 Chairman (voting) (~~not voting~~).

Dated this 25th day of January, 1979.

Resolution No. 79-35

Alic Walker
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Arthur H. Gullik
Chairman, Tribal Business Council