

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 is under said Act; and
- WHEREAS, The Fort Berthold Reservation is in a major energy cost crisis which will cost the average home owner about \$25,000 over the next ten years (\$8,875,000 for the entire community), and
- WHEREAS, Substituting the use of local coal will reduce that cost to \$7,000 per household over ten years (\$2,485,000 for the community) for a community savings of \$6,390,000 (or \$18,000 per home), and
- WHEREAS, The cost of converting the reservation to local coal is about \$1,800,000, which provides a 3.6 to 1.0 benefit/cost ratio, with 46% of the local fuel cost going to local labor (\$1.143,000), and
- WHEREAS, All of the detailed engineering and cost documentation has been completed, and
- WHEREAS, No existing agencies have funding adequate to pay for the four-reservation local fuel program which totals about \$6,000,000, and
- WHEREAS, If this demonstration program were applied to all Indian reservations over ten years nearly 1 billion dollars would be saved,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fort Berthold Tribal Council supports a joint request to the U.S. Congress for supplemental funds to apply the Local Indian Fuel Technology (LIFT) program this year to the four Indian reservations in this demonstration, (Fort Berthold, Cheyenne River Sioux, Northern Cheyenne, and Rocky Boy).

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 were present at a Regular meeting, thereby duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 15 day of March, 1979; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 9 members, 0 opposed, 2 members abstained, 0 members passed, and that the said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairperson (voting) (not voting).

Dated this 15 day of March, 1979.

Lillie Walker
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

Austin H. Billette
Chairperson, Tribal Business Council