## 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 the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution and Bylaws 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 Lakotah and Dakotah Nations signed the Fort Laramie Treaty of April 29, 1868 which determined the boundaries of land to which the said Indian people will use, and within these boundaries lay the Black Hills which have always been the religious center for the Lakotah and Dakotah people; and
- WHEREAS, Since the signing of the Fort Laramie Treaty of April 29, 1868 there has been legislative fiat, judicial and executive decisions affecting the ownership of the Black Hills; and
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes will support congressional legislation introduced for the return of the lands in the Black Hills and that the return of such lands be sought in all forums; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby supports H.R. 5664 being introduced by Representive Shirley Chisholm (D-NY) which proposes withdrawal of 800 acres of U.S. Forest Service land from the Public Domain for a ten (10) year period as a cultural and religious resource area, and that this in no way is any settlement of the Black Hills claim.

## CERTIFICATION

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 constitutes a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 14th day of May, 1982; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way. Chairman (Voting) (Not Voting).

DATED THIS 14th DAY OF MAY, 1982.

SECRETARY, TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN, TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL