

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 authorized and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the Tribe and tribal members; and

WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes recognize that a tremendous amount of their future development hinges on tribal use of their land base and water resource, namely, Lake Sakakawea, the surface area of which currently covers approximately 170 square miles within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes proposed to provide on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation a demonstration irrigation system, to promote and conduct present and future irrigation development on reservation lands; and

WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes is presently operating a demonstration irrigation system known as the Shell Creek Demonstration Irrigation System; and

WHEREAS, The Natural Resources Department, the Material Resources Department, the Office of Tribal Planning, the Fort Berthold Community College, and the Range Management Branch of the local agency all propose to assist the Three Affiliated Tribes in the accomplishment of establishing a technically and economically feasible irrigation system which would form the nucleus of a larger tribal irrigation enterprise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes contract with the Natural Resources Department for a one-year period beginning May 1, 1982, to assist the tribal government in achieving its goals and purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Natural Resource Department is authorized to contract under P.L. 96-638 \$14,500.00 with the Aberdeen Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, to underwrite the operating and maintenance costs of fulfilling the tribal goals under this proposal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribe's Natural Resource Committee be assigned to monitor this project.

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 Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is

composed of 11 members of whom 7 constitutes a quorum, were present at a Regular meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 10 day of April 1981; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 10 members, and 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 10 day of June, 1982.

Lillie Walker
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Armin H. Bickett
Chairman, Tribal Business Council