

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 is under said Act; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution and By-laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes charge the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes to protect and preserve the property, wildlife and natural resources of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes recognizes that the quality of life of the Three Affiliated Tribes is intimately related to the quality of the environment within the Fort Berthold Reservation, including air quality, and that the Tribes must seek to preserve the air quality of the Fort Berthold Reservation consistent with the needs of the Tribes to develop industry and commerce and to create new jobs; and

WHEREAS, Ever-increasing energy development affecting air quality is occurring in the Fort Berthold region; and

WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes have established and committed themselves to a tribal air quality control program on the Fort Berthold Reservation and have made great progress in the implementation of their air quality program; and

WHEREAS, It is a legitimate right, need and aspiration of Indian tribes to govern their air quality resources;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation support the air quality standards of the Clean Air Act Amendment of 1977, including those established to prevent the significant deterioration of air quality, and oppose any weakening of those standards;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Three Affiliated Tribes support a legislative amendment to the Clean Air Act which authorizes Indian tribes to assume full regulatory authority under the Act, with approved tribal air quality programs and which provides such funding as may be necessary to accomplish this important goal of tribal self-determination; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Three Affiliated Tribes urge the federal government including members of Congress and executive branch officials to support a legislative proposal to amend the Clean Air Act consistent with this resolution and the legitimate rights, needs and aspirations of Indian peoples.

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 constitute a quorum were present at a Regular meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 9 day of September, 1982; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 1 members, 0 opposed, 0 members abstained, 1 members passed, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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

Dated this 9 day of September, 1982.

Ellie Walker
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Austin A. Dineen
Chairman, Tribal Business Council