

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, In 1954, Indian health services were transferred from the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior to the Public Health Service, a division of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) (Act of August 5, 1954, ch. 658, codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. §§ 2001 2005f); and
- WHEREAS, As it relates to the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (codified as 25 U.S.C. §§ 450a 450n) has as its goal the establishment of an effective voice for Indians in the planning and implementation of Indian Health Services (IHS's) responsive to the true needs of Indian communities (emphasis added); and
- WHEREAS, In 1955, a special branch of the Public Health Service, now known as the Indian Health Service (IHS), was established within the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, the current Department of Health and Human Services since 1980; and
- WHEREAS, The Indian Health Service remains the agency that provides health services to Indian people; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes is aware of the adverse personnel action taken against Greg Rachwitz, Field Sanitarian with the Environmental Health Office of the Indian Health Service; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council fully recognizes the outstanding work virtues and the dedicated, professional services of Greg Rachwitz in that he has substantially

raised the health standards on the Fort Berthold Reservation while serving as Field Sanitarian.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to the intent of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975, as identified here and above, the Three Affiliated Tribes in attempting to assume an effective voice for Indians in the planning and implementation of Indian Health Services responsive to the needs of our Indian communities requests the Director of the Indian Health Service to resolve the politics surrounding the dismissal of Greg Rachwitz and to reinstate Mr. Rachwitz in order that he be allowed to continue assisting the Three Affiliated Tribes on raising the health standards on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

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 constituting a quorum, were present at a Special meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the day of many of 1983; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of members, members opposed, members abstained, members not voting, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman (voting) (not voting)

Dated this 2/ day of MARCH 1983.

Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Chairman, Tribal Business Council