## 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 of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(1) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to adopt resolutions regulating the procedures of Tribal agencies; and
- WHEREAS, There continues to exist the grave problem of the high rate of unemployment among the enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes resident on the Fort Berthold Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, The continued development of mineral resources situated within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation provides a significant opportunity to alleviate said grave problem by providing Indian owned and managed contractors and subcontractors with employment opportunities in the area of mineral development; and
- WHEREAS, There are a number of Indian owned and managed contractors and subcontractors whose principal places of business are located on the Fort Berthold Reservation and who are qualified to engage in a number of areas of work within the mineral development industry; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Employment Rights Office of the Three Affiliated Tribes has been granted the authority to implement the federally recognized policy of Indian preference in the context of contracting and subcontracting; and
- WHEREAS, In the interest of assisting the Tribal Employment Rights
  Office in providing for an improved implementation of
  such policy of Indian preference, the Tribal Business
  Council has deemed it advisable, if not mandatory, to
  develop specific, comprehensive criteria and procedures
  for the formal certification of Indian owned and managed
  firms as business entities to be granted preference in the
  award of contracts and subcontracts in the area of mineral
  development within the exterior boundaries of the Fort
  Berthold Reservation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes, pursuant to its constitutional power and authority, hereby approves adoption of the attached provisions entitled "Indian Preference Policies and Procedures in Mineral Development on the Fort Berthold 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 constitutes a quorum, /O were present at secial meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the coday of noticed, convened and held on the coday of noticed, 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 Woting)

Dated this 25 day of April

Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Chairman Tribal Business Council