

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE
FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION

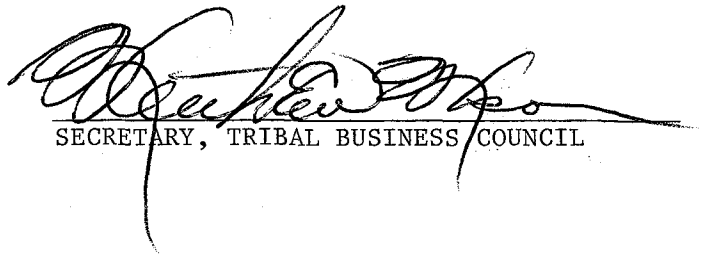
- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS, the Constitution and By-laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the tribes and tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, there have been continuous complaints about poor management and lack of accountability of the Realty Department, Fort Berthold Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and
- WHEREAS, although these concerns have been expressed to the Agency Superintendent and Area Office staff of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, no action has been taken to improve the situation; and
- WHEREAS, among the problems are (1) poor management of financial matters (2) seismic funds held for over a year in IIM Accounts (3) funds held by Bureau of Indian Affairs for land lease, oil and gas leases, seismic fee paid to wrong individuals (4) probate and land exchanges/sales are not recorded on a timely basis and original owner continues to receive lease funds (5) FmHA Account of Tribe has not been maintained with funds from other accounts included (6) abstracts are held by the Realty Department for long periods of time and must be returned to the owner for additional work and more cost; and
- WHEREAS, the Realty Department has grown from two staff to fifteen (15) and yet more problems persist,
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Three Affiliated Tribes directs the Office of the Inspector General, Department of the Interior, to investigate and evaluate the Realty Department, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Berthold Agency as soon as possible, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Three Affiliated Tribes request that areas to be covered by the Office of the Inspector General are the distribution of income, accounting procedures, accountability, management of the Realty Department, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Berthold Agency,
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes receives a report of findings and recommendations.

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 constituting a quorum, 9 were present at a Special Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 13 day of may, 1983; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 9 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 13 day of may, 1983


SECRETARY, TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

ATTEST:


CHAIRMAN, TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL