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 of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and their enrolled members; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 3(a) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to employ attorneys and to determine their respective fees; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council has entered into an attorney's contract with Raymond Cross, specifying that part of his responsibilities is the protection of the Tribes' water resources on-Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council has approved the negotiation with the North Dakota State Water Commission for the quantification of its Winters based water rights claims to both surface and ground water on the Fort Berthold Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes has been awarded \$150,000 under a Public Law 93-638 contract denoted as Contract No. A00C14201333 for the purpose of completing Phase I of the task; and
- WHEREAS, In the contract approved by the Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council, this contract provides for payment of attorney's fees to staff counsel for the work attributable to carrying out this contract; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Cross will, after September 30, 1983, be spending in excess of one-half (1/2) time on the water rights contract,
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to approve the payment of Mr. Cross' attorney's time out of the funds appropriated under Contract No. A00C14201333, up to the amount defined in the contract.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Alyce Spotted Bear, Chairman of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes is authorized to direct a letter to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, under the governing federal regulations, requesting that such payment from said appropriated funds be allowed to be paid to Mr. Cross under his attorney's contract.

CERTIFICATION

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