## 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 of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(c) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribes and to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for public purposes of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, Via Resolution No. 77-122, the Tribal Business Council formally approved the Declaration of Policies and Plan of Operation for the Tribal Wake and Burial Fund; and
- WHEREAS, Subsequent to the date of approval of said Declaration of Policies and Plan of Operation, additional funds were allocated to the Wake and Burial Fund in accordance with the plan for distribution of judgement funds in Docket 350-G; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council deems it advisable and appropriate, in the interest of the welfare of the enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes, to extend eligibility for grants from the Wake and Burial Fund to those persons who, although not, in fact, enrolled in the Tribes at the time of their death, would otherwise be eligible for such enrollment; and
- WHEREAS, Via Resolution No. 77-214, the Tribal Business Council approved the amendment of the requirement for eligibility for grants from the Wake and Burial Fund; however, the Tribal Business Council has determined that the language of said amendment is ambiguous and is in need of clarification by further amendment; and
- WHEREAS, In view of the foregoing circumstances, it is the considered position of the Tribal Business Council that the Declaration of Policies and Plan of Operation for the Tribal Wake and Burial Fund should be amended;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby approves the following amendments to the Declaration of Policies and Plan of Operation for the Tribal Wake and Burial Fund:

Section I(E) is amended to read as follows:

"'JUDGMENT FUNDS' means funds derived from Judgment awards of Docket 350-F and Docket 350-G."

First sentence in Section II is amended to read as follows:

"PURPOSE: To establish a fund to assist in defraying wake and burial expenses for enrolled members of the Three Affiliated Tribes and for those deceased non-enrolled persons who would otherwise be eligible for enrollment at the time of their death."

Second and third sentences in Section III(B) is amended to read as follows:

"The estimated number of deaths and the total amount of interest funds available from both Docket 350-F and Docket 350-G shall determine the amount of the individual grant. These funds shall be placed in a special account maintained by the Three Affiliated Tribes and shall be disbursed only upon the presentation of a voucher properly executed."

Section IV(A) is amended by adding language to read as follows:

"In the event of stillbirth or of death prior to enrollment, the deceased person shall be eligible for a grant from these funds provided that he or she would otherwise be eligible for enrollment as a member of the Three Affiliated Tribes."

First sentence in Section IV(B) is amended to read as follows:

"The application for a grant may be submitted by next of kin within 180 days after the date of death of the eligible person."

First sentence in Section V(A) is amended to read as follows:

"All records and receipts shall be placed and retained in a file maintained on the deceased."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the amendments approved hereby shall become effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Resolution No. 77-214 is hereby rescinded in all respects.

## 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 constitute a quorum, / were present at a feet Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the day of September, 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 the said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman (Voting) (Not Voting)

Dated this 6 day of September, 1983

SECRETARY, TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN, TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL