

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

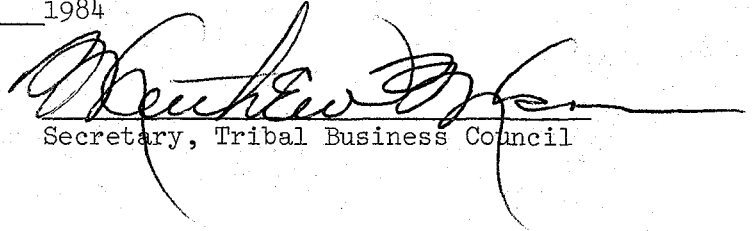
- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS, the Constitution and Bylaws of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the tribes and tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, the Fort Berthold Reservation in an economically depressed area; and
- WHEREAS, there are Tribal members seeking development capital to initiate new business ventures, and Indian rancher/farmers are affected by restrictions on agricultural credit; and
- WHEREAS, capital availability is one of the key components of the Three Affiliated Tribes' efforts in developing/expanding the Reservation economy; and
- WHEREAS, Indian Financing Act of 1974 (25 USCS 1451 et seq.) was passed by "Congress to provide capital on a reimbursable basis to help develop and utilize Indian resources"; and
- WHEREAS, the Act contains language which restricts the eligibility of Tribal members to participate in the Title I - Indian Revolving Loan Fund and Title II Loan Guaranty and Insurance when their Tribal Government operates a loan program; and
- WHEREAS, the elimination of this restrictive language would result in the Bureau of Indian Affairs receiving many additional loan applications and create a need for a higher level of appropriations for Title I; and
- WHEREAS, the loan application limit of \$100,000 set in Title II - Loan Guaranty and Insurance is out dated due to the effects of inflation since the Act was passed ten years ago; and
- WHEREAS, the Three Affiliated Tribes has reviewed the amendments and reauthorization levels proposed by the Congressional Committees and by various interested parties; and
- WHEREAS, the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs and the House Interior Committee will be holding Hearings on the Indian Financing Act
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby submits the following amendments to the Indian Financing Act of 1974 for Congressional consideration in the reauthorization of the Act:
- o In Section 101 of Title I (25 USCS 1461) and in Section 201 of Title II (25 USCS 1481) strike out "who are not members of or eligible for membership in an organization which is making loans to its members"

- o In Section 108 of Title I (25 USCS 1461) strike out "\$50,000,000" and insert in lieu thereof "\$200,000,000"
- o In Section 204 of Title II (25 USCS 1484) strike out "\$100,000" and insert in lieu thereof "\$500,000"

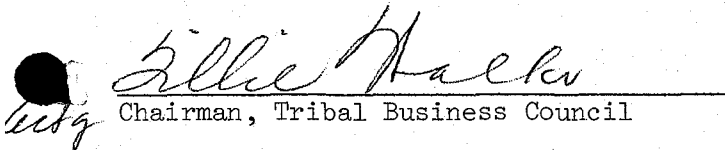
C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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, 10 were present at a SPECIAL Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 8 members, — members opposed, — members abstained, 2 members not voting, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 7 day of MAY 1984

  
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

  
Chairman, Tribal Business Council