RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN 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, The Three Affiliated Tribes' hospital in Elbowoods was inundated for construction purposes of the Garrison Dam and never replaced by the Federal Government; and
- WHEREAS, A priority of the Tribal Business Council is ensuring the best possible health care services for the membership of the Three Affiliated Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The ideal means of providing these health care services would be the construction of a hospital/extended care facility and the allocation of appropriate operating funds; and
- WHEREAS, The ongoing request for such a facility for the Fort Berthold Service Unit has not been implemented by the Indian Health Service; and
- WHEREAS, Therefore the Tribal membership must rely on Contract Care referrals for hospitalization; and
- WHEREAS, Those living in the outlying areas of the Reservation must rely on health care services such as those provided by the Nurse Practitiioners and the Community Health Representatives through the THS Master Contract for the Three Affiliated Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The use of Contract Care Services is often severly limited by budget restrictions and members can be denied treatment until an illness reaches a critical stage; and
- WHEREAS, Budgetary restrictions also limit the provision of health services by such personnel as the Nurse Practitioners;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby requests that the Indian Health Service increase the Contract Care allocation for the Fort Berthold Service Unit from \$1,057,400 to \$1,500,000.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the IHS Master Contract for the Three Affiliated Tribes be increased from \$395,644 to \$500,000.

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, were present at a Special Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the day of January, 1985; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of members, omembers opposed, omembers abstained, omembers not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

CHAIRPERSON

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Dated this 16th day of January, 1985.

JOHN CHARGING, SECRETARY TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

ATTEST:

HYGE SPONED BEAR, TRIBAL CHAINPERSON

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