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 authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to manage all economic affairs of the Three Affiliated Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(j) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to protect and preserve the natural resources of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 83-108-S, dated May 6, 1983, the Tribal Business Council requested that the Bureau of Indian Affairs enter into a Public Law 93-638 contract with the Three Affiliated Tribes for the development and negotiation of the Tribes' reserved water rights, and thereafter said contract was entered into for the purposes stated herein; and
- WHEREAS, On September 30, 1984, Phase I of the Tribal-State Water Compact Development and Negotiation Project ended, and Phase II of that Project will begin sometime during FY 1985; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Legal Department has advised the Tribal Business Council that the Bureau of Indian Affairs has Forty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$45,000) available for which the Tribes may contract for the purpose of developing the legal and technical strategy that will govern Phase II of the Tribal-State Water Negotiations; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council believes that it is in the best interest of the Tribes and their members and in the best interest of Phase II of the Tribal-State Water Compact Project that the Tribal Legal Department should apply for the award of a contract from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the purposes stated above, in the amount of Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000), running from March 15, 1985, to September 30, 1985;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby directs the Legal Department to contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Forty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$45,000), for the above-identified purposes.

CERTIFICATDON

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, 9 were present at a Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the

19th day of March, 1985; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted
at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 8 members, 6 members opposed, members abstained, / members not voting, and that said Resolution has
not been rescinded or amended in any way.
Dated this 19th day of MarcH, 1985.
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