

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 thereof; and
- WHEREAS, The Farmers and Ranchers on Fort Berthold Reservation are having serious problems securing credit to operate their existing enterprises; and
- WHEREAS, Large amounts of land that has been used to secure loans now are in a state of being lost due to foreclosure proceedings; and
- WHEREAS, The Indian Finance Act has been put in place by Congress to serve the Indian Credit needs; and
- WHEREAS, Monetary resources are needed to provide Technical Assistance, upgrade the Bureau of Indian Affairs staff, and more important, funds to make loans to Indian Farmers and Ranchers on the Fort Berthold Reservation and the entire Aberdeen Area to curb this devastating situation.

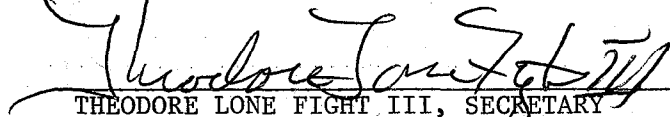
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council hereby request the Congress of the United States of America to make available an appropriation in the amount of \$250,000,000.00 for the purpose of making the Indian Finance Act a useful tool as it was intended when Congress passed this legislation in 1984.

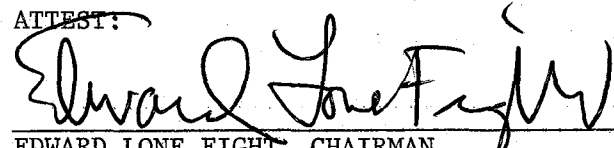
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Congress direct the Bureau of Indian Affairs to utilize these funds to curb the trust land alienation problem and to help the Farmers and Ranchers in the Aberdeen Area.

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, do hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 Members of whom 5 constitutes a quorum, 6 were present at a Special Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 16 day of March 1987; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the affirmative vote of 6 Members, 0 Members opposed, 0 Members abstaining, 1 Members not voting, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 16 day of March, 1987.


THEODORE LONE FIGHT III, SECRETARY
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

ATTEST:

EDWARD LONE FIGHT, CHAIRMAN
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES
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