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, Article VI, Section 5 (j), of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to protect and preserve the property, wildlife, and natural resources of the tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council recognizes that chronic economic distress exists on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation because of high rates of unemployment, low crop and livestock prices, and high interest rates; and
- WHEREAS, This chronic economic distress has been materially increased by a lack of timely precipitation during the growing season of 1987; and
- WHEREAS, If farm commodities that are owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation are provided to members of the Tribes for use as livestock feed, such provision will not displace or interfere with the normal marketing of agricultural products in the area.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby requests the Secretary of Agriculture to declare the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation an acute distress area and make farm commodities owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation available to members of the Tribes for use as livestock feed.

CERTIFICATION

I the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitutes a quorum, were present at a Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the day of 1987; 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vote of members, members opposed, members abstained, members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman (voting) (not voting).

Dated this del day of

1987.

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