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 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 of Fort Berthold's economy and employment situation is significantly influenced by the economic viability of the Great Plains Gasification Project; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold's water rights, as incorporated in the Bureau of Reclamation water agreement with the Great Plains Gasification Project, calls for employment preferance for the Tribal members employment at the Plant; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold have mandated their econmic self-determination and self-sufficiency as one of the Trib es most important priority; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold have devoted a substanial resources in analyzing the Department of Energy's plan of action with respect to the raid project and that have participated in enhancing the cause of the reaid project; and
- NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVVED That the Three Affiliated Tribes are determined to proceed with their initiatives in order to participate in the Department of Energy's solitation for a statement of interest, and the submission of a joint-venture proposal in a cooperation with a leading pirvate sector energy/utility company for the management/acquisition of the Great Plains Gasification Project; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold have determined to request the Council of Energy Resource Tribes to make available technical services of Dr. Ahmed Kooros to the Tirbes for the formulation and implementation of their plan of operation.

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 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 29 day of January 1988; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

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Chairman

(Not Voting)

Dated this **29** day of January, 1988.