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 Tribal Business Council believes oil and gas exploration and production can benefit the members of the Three Affiliated Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council believes that oil and gas exploration and production are more likely to occur on Fort Berthold if the oil industry is provided with material regarding exploration prospects on Fort Berthold; and
- WHEREAS, The Division of Energy and Minerals of the Bureau of Indian Affairs has the capability to timely prepare a portfolio regarding the Bakken Formation on the Reservation.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council hereby requests the Division of Energy and Minerals to prepare a study regarding the potential of the Bakken Formation on Fort Berthold.

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 <u>kesular</u> Meeting, thereof duly
called, noticed, convened, and held on the 1000 day of
Mass, 1990; 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not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or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.

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Dated this Oth day of May, 1990.
Secretary, Tribal Business Council
ATTEST: Chairman, Tribal Business Council