

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,** Congress has recognized the obligation of the United States to respond to the strong expression of the Indian people for self-determination by assuring maximum Indian participation in the direction of Federal services to Indian communities so as to render such services more responsive to the needs and desires of those communities; and
- WHEREAS,** Congress has declared its commitment to the maintenance of the Federal Government's unique and continuing relationship with, and responsibility to, individual Indian tribes, including the Three Affiliated Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** Congress has declared the establishment of a meaningful Indian self-determination policy which permits Indian tribes, including the Three Affiliated Tribes, to enjoy effective and meaningful participation in the planning, conduct, and administration of Federal programs and services; and
- WHEREAS,** In accordance with this policy, the United States is committed to supporting and assisting Indian tribes, including the Three Affiliated Tribes, in the development of strong and stable tribal governments, capable of administering quality programs; and

WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes have a severe need to plan for the improvement of inadequate and substandard conditions currently experienced by the existing criminal justice system on the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Acting Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs in the United States Department of the Interior has announced the availability of FY 1991 funding for Training/Technical Assistance Grants and Planning Grants as of March 4, 1991; and

WHEREAS, The Tribes' proposed criminal justice system improvement planning includes, but is not limited to, assessment, planning, research, and coordination efforts necessary to address the problems of acute jail overcrowding and substandard jail conditions; inadequate court facilities; inadequate law enforcement facilities; and the lack of a probation/parole office; and

WHEREAS, With funding assistance from the office of the Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs, The Three Affiliated Tribes' proposed planning efforts will present a high probability of eventually improving the criminal justice system on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby propose, and otherwise reflect a commitment, to plan, and carry out such plans as may be developed in order to make significant improvements in the criminal justice system on the reservation through the use of a planning grant from the Deputy Commissioner of Indian Affairs in the United States Department of the Interior.

THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES
TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL
TRIBAL CHAMBERS

Special Meeting
July 1, 1991

PRESENT: Wilbur D. Wilkinson, Chairman; Titus Hall, Vice
Chairman; John J. Rabbithead, Jr., Secretary;
Roger Bird Bear, Treasurer; Jim Mossett, Council-
member and Roberta High Elk, Acting Recording
Secretary.

ABSENT: Theodore Lone Fight, III. and Austin Gillette,
Councilmembers

OTHERS: Dennis Burr, Chief Executive Officer

ITEM 01: CALL TO ORDER:
Meeting called to order at 8:18 PM.

ITEM 02: ROLL CALL:
Roll called by Secretary Rabbithead. Quorum esta-
blished.

ITEM 03: RESOLUTION/PLANNING GRANT: #91-104-JJR
This is a resolution with a proposal attached pre-
sented by Councilman Bird Bear. A Request for the
Tribes to get a planning grant to provide a step
toward improving our criminal justice system.
Request for upgrading jail quarters through Thomas
Bird Bear and Mark Fox by Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Vice Chairman Hall made a motion to authorize and
approve the submission to the BIA a Criminal Justice
System Improvement Program Proposal, seconded by
Secretary Rabbithead.

Discussion: Justification on distance.

Vote: 5 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 04: RESOLUTION/CATTLE RELENDING PROGRAM: #91-108-JJR.
This is a resolution authorizing the Cattle Relen-
ding Program. The documents were submitted and this
resolution to go before the Full Council Meeting.
It was discussed that there was a need for a cattle
releuding program.

Treasurer Bird Bear made a motion to authorize and
approve the Cattle Relending Program Resolution,
seconded by Vice Chairman Hall.

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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, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 1st day of July, 1991; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 2 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated the 1st day of July, 1991.

John J. Ralibhead Jr.
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Willie S. Wilkins
Chairman, Tribal Business Council