

**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,** One of the priorities of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes has been the promotion of economic and employment development to alleviate the high unemployment rate and attendant social problems on the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

**WHEREAS,** The agricultural - ranch and farming - sector of the Reservation economy has been one of the few sectors that has been primarily private enterprise oriented; and

**WHEREAS,** That agricultural sector has suffered over the past years due to lack of rainfall, poor market conditions for the sale of products, and uncertain credit availability; and

**WHEREAS,** Due to these problems the Reservation economy has suffered, unemployment has risen, land resources are not being used by Tribal members, and Trust lands are in danger of being foreclosed upon by financing agencies; and

**WHEREAS,** One of the primary problems encountered by Tribal members who have secured financing assistance has been the lack of technical assistance and training for agricultural related activities; and

**WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes has developed a "Comprehensive Agricultural Improvement Strategy" which includes a number of projects directed toward assisting ranchers and farmers, and these projects are anticipated to be funded through a number of sources; and

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CATTLE RELENDING PROGRAM RESOLUTION (CON'T):  
Question on who the funding agency is. Response  
was Heifer International/George Johnson.

It was stated the feedback was positive at the  
meeting in Minot. The company stated they would  
bear the cost of the cattle.

Treasurer Bird Bear stated he spoke with the CDBG  
people and Kenneth Deane as the Chairman explored  
the other possibility of using CDBG for cattle.  
Response was yes but this is a supplement.

Vote: 5 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 05: RESOLUTION-FMHA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS:#91-107  
This resolution to be attached to the Cattle Relen-  
ding Program tied in with the Indian Outreach Pro-  
gram.

Councilman Mossett made a motion to approve, secon-  
ded by Secretary Rabbithead.

Vote: 5 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 06: SEPTIC TANK BUSINESS:  
Treasurer Bird Bear informed the Council that Tony  
Fox asked for support to acquire Robert Bell's sep-  
tic business. An agreement has been reached between  
the family and Mr. Fox. He needs some type of en-  
dorsement/assurance. He needs a short term loan.  
In the meantime, he is going to the BIA to get a  
loan to buy out the business.

Vice Chairman Hall made a motion to write a Letter  
of Support for Mr. Fox, seconded by Secretary  
Rabbithead.

Vote: 5 for, 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

ITEM 07: ROADS CONTRACT:  
Councilman Mossett informed the committee that  
temporary appointments were needed for the following  
Roads Foreman-Meredith Irwin; Move Ted Bolman, Jr.,  
to White Shield; Wesley Hall's position in New Town  
to be permanent; Move Donnie Hall back to Mandaree  
and that would leave Twin Buttes position for Virgil  
Eagle. These will be temporary appointments and the

**WHEREAS,** Congress has reacted to this problems and the provisions of the 1990 Farm Bill requires the Farmers Home Administration to train its borrowers in farming and financial management and continue direct loans and assistance in outreach programs; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business Council, authorizes the execution and submission of a application for funding, proposed for a period of five years, to the US Department of Agriculture Farmer's Home Administration for an outreach program to be entitled "The Assistance, Counseling, and Training Farm/Ranch Project (ACT)" with the Fort Berthold Community College being the prime contractor for the implementation of the academic component of the Project.

**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, 0 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. Rabbithead Jr.  
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

**ATTEST:**

Willis D. Wilkins  
Chairman, Tribal Business Council