

**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 on 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 all residents of the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Whereas, the Tribes want to resolve this issue regarding the failure of the Secretary of Interior to reserve the oil and gas mineral in the North East quadrant of the Fort Berthold Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The foregoing referred to issue can only be resolved by and through court litigation, as necessary and

WHEREAS, The Tribes lack sufficient funds to litigate this very important issue.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribe hereby authorizes and directs its chairman. Wilbur D. Wilkinson, to apply to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for attorney's fees in order to bring an appropriate lawsuit in federal court to have this issue adjudicated;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Tribal Chairman or his designated delegate is hereby further authorized and empowered to take such actions as are necessary to carry said funding request to a successful conclusion.

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 4 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 29th day of November, 1991; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 1 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated the 29th day of November 1991.

John J. Rabbithead Jr.
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Walter D. Williams
Chairman, Tribal Business Council