

**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, the legislature of the State of North Dakota convene a special session to reapportion the legislative districts within the State of North Dakota from November 4, 1991, and adjourned on November 8, 1991.

WHEREAS, that during this special session the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation made its position regarding redistricting known to the legislature and in fact made its position known to the special legislative committee as early as last week in September 1991.

WHEREAS, the legislature in special session formulated a reapportionment plan, adopted it and presented it to the Governor for his signature.

WHEREAS, the Governor did in fact sign this legislation on November 14, 1991 as was expected.

WHEREAS, the reapportionment plan adopted by the legislature and signed by the Governor fails to include a sub-district as requested by the Three Affiliated Tribes.

WHEREAS, the Three Affiliated Tribes needs to determine whether or not the reapportionment plan can pass constitutional muster and the 1982 Voting Rights act or in other words whether or not Three Affiliated Tribes has a legal cause of action.

WHEREAS, the Native American Rights Fund of Boulder, Colorado has been involved in these reapportionment cases before and therefore has the necessary experience to assist the Three Affiliated Tribes in evaluating whether or not it has a legal cause of action to proceed against the State of North Dakota.

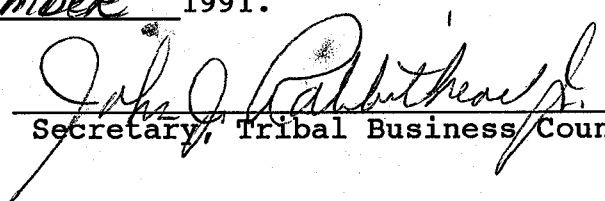
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council hereby request that the NARF be asked to legally assist in evaluating whether or not the Three Affiliated Tribes has a cause of action to pursue against the State of North Dakota on this and other issues.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that further contact be made with NARF by Urban J. Bear Don't Walk, in house Tribal Attorney and he bring up the details with NARF.


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 7 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.


Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:


Chairman, Tribal Business Council