

**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 best interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 100-297, Title V, Part B, Section 5203, declares the following to be the policy of the United States Government.

1. The Congress recognizes 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 educational services so as to render such services more responsive to the needs and desires of those communities.
2. The Congress declares its commitment to the maintenance of the federal government's unique and continuing trust relationship with and responsibility to the Indian people through the establishment of a meaningful Indian self-determination policy for education which will defer further perpetuation of federal bureaucratic domination of programs.
3. The Congress declares that a major national goal of the United States is to provide the resources, processes, and structures which will enable tribes and local communities to affect the quantity and quality of educational services and opportunities which will permit Indian children to compete and excel in the life areas of their choice, and to achieve the measure of self-determination essential to their social and economic well-being.
4. The Congress affirms the reality of the special and unique educational needs of Indian peoples, including the need for programs to meet the linguistic and cultural aspirations of Indian tribes and communities. These may be set through a grant process.
5. The Congress declares its commitment to these policies and its support; for federal relations with the Indian Nation.
6. The Congress hereby repudiates and rejects House Concurrent Resolution 108 of the 83rd Congress and any policy of unilateral termination of federal relations with any Indian Nation.

WHEREAS, P.L. 100-297, Title V, Parts A & B provides for the provision of grants for the operation and administration of tribally controlled schools by tribal organizations in a manner which provides for greater self-determination, true local control, more realistic financial conditions without diminution of federal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, The School Board of New Town School on the Fort Berthold Reservation and its community desires to provide the best possible educational opportunity for all children within its district; and

- WHEREAS,** The New Town School as the representative educational body for its community believes that the provisions of Title V of P.L. 100-297 provides the best available structure, support and continued improvement in local control for their respective educational programs and services; and
- WHEREAS,** The New Town School Board confirms and pledges their individual and unified support and commitment to the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation in its governmental role of providing educational leadership through tribal resolution, standards and ordinances as provided in its Constitution and By-Laws and federal laws and regulations; and
- WHEREAS,** The New Town School District through it's elected school board shall maintain local control as outlined by North Dakota Century Code; and
- WHEREAS,** All current employees shall continue to be employed by the New Town School District except as provided for under existing New Town School District Policies governing reduction in force and non-renewal/dismissal procedures; and
- WHEREAS,** The majority of students of the district are Native American enrolled members, the Three Affiliated Tribes recognizes the New Town School District as an Indian Organization for the purposes of applying for and receiving ISEP as a grant school eligible for Direct Funding; and
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes the New Town School Board to apply for grants for school operation as provided in P.L. 100-297, Title V, Parts A & B, in the manner and time as will fulfill the requirements of Parts A & B and the communities needs as determined by the local School Board.

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, 6 were present at a Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 23rd day of February, 1995; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the Affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 1 members not voting, and said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated the 23rd day of February, 1995.

Daylon Spotted Bear
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:



Chairman, Tribal Business Council