

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES
OF THE
FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION**

WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Organization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and

WHEREAS, This Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

WHEREAS, Under the U. S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, Office of Economic Development, the purposes of the Youthbuild Program are: *(A) To provide economically disadvantaged young adults with opportunities to obtain education, employment skills and meaningful on-site work experience as a service to their communities and a means to achieve self-sufficiency; (B) To foster the development of leadership skills and commitment to community; and (C) To expand the supply of permanent affordable housing for homeless and low- and very low-income persons by providing implementation grants for carrying out a Youthbuild Program; and*

WHEREAS, There are three hundred and forty-one (341) low-income families on the waiting list for permanent affordable housing on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Youthbuild Program will address this fundamental housing need of members of the tribe and the need for hope and viable options for the youth of the reservation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in recognition of the need for this important economic opportunity for our youth to enter into a enterprising economic partnership with the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Fort Berthold Housing Authority, and the tribally-owned Lumber, Construction, and Manufacturing Corporation, the Three Affiliated Tribes will provide TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) from Fiscal Year 1996 350-G Capital (Business) Development Fund for the purpose of assistance in starting business enterprises by the graduates of the Youthbuild Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council and the Fort Berthold Housing Authority are both aware that under Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, entities that receive HUD funds for construction activities are required to provide, to the greatest extent feasible, training and employment opportunities to participants in HUD Youthbuild programs being carried out in the area in which the HUD assistance is expended and that the Fort Berthold Youthbuild participants are considered a priority group for jobs generated by construction activities funded, in whole or in part, with HUD Assistance 24 CFR 135; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the program resources under the Three Affiliated Tribes, who will provide cash, goods, or services to the Youthbuild program are outlined in a Tribal Business Council letter dated May 3, 1995, that provides the details of these *implementation* in-kind donations as Exhibit 4C; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council recognizes (1) the limited opportunity for private and public sector cash contributions to the Fort Berthold Youthbuild Program due to the rural, isolated nature of the reservation community, (2) that the problem of capital availability or access to it is not unique to Indians or to Fort Berthold, (3) there is a need to make capital available for expansion and start-up of economic opportunities, and, thusly, (4) the need for Tribal government to mobilize its local resources to meet expressed local community economic development needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the tribal members will have a program specifically designed to provide both on-site housing construction and rehabilitation work experience and off-site academic classes, job skills training, leadership development and supportive service for young adults, primarily high school drop outs; and the program will also increase the supply of permanent affordable housing for the homeless and low- and very low-income families of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian 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 15th day of May 1995; 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.

Chairman (voting) (not voting).

Dated this 15th day of May 1995.

Mark N. Fox (acting Secretary)
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:


Chairman, Tribal Business Council