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Resolution No. 95-145 DSB
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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 and Bylaws of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the Tribe and tribal members; and
- WHEREAS,** Under the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Victims of Crimes's (OVC) Children's Justice Act Grant Program for Native Americans, the purposes of the Children's Justice Act Grant Program is to assist Native American communities improve the investigation, prosecution and handling of cases of child sexual abuse and serious child physical abuse in a manner that increase support for and reduces trauma to child victims; OVC will award 5 to 8 grants directly to Indian tribes;
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes recently completed a Comprehensive Five Year Tribal Community Plan for Children's and Family Services on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation in April 1995; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes Comprehensive Five Year Tribal Community Plan documented the need to improve the investigation, prosecution and handling of cases of child sexual abuse and serious child physical abuse in a manner that increases support for and reduces trauma to child victims; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes intend to submit an application for funding from the Office of Victims of Crimes's Children's Justice Act Grant Program for Native Americans; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes, with the Fort Berthold District Court as contractor, will request funding to develop, establish, and operate programs designed to improve the handling, investigation, and prosecution of child sexual abuse and physical abuse and neglect cases.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Three Affiliated Tribes, with the Fort Berthold District Court as contractor, will support a program that includes: (1) development and revision of tribal codes, policies, and procedures that directly address the criminal justice and social service systems' response to child abuse and neglect; (2) development and revision of procedures for reporting, referring, handling, investigating, and prosecuting cases of child sexual abuse and physical abuse; (3) provision of specialized training to community advocates, criminal justice, social services, medical and mental health professions and other professionals involved with handling child sexual abuse and physical abuse cases; (4) development and strengthening of working relationships with Federal, state, and local agencies providing services for child victims and their families; (5) development of Memoranda of Understanding for successful implementation of this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, The Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes the contracting of funding received from the Office for Victims of Crime's Children's Justice Act Grant Program for Native Americans, to the Fort Berthold District Court for purposes outlined above.

CERTIFICATION

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 Regular Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 13 day of July 1995; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 ~~vote of~~ 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 13 day of July 1995.

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Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:



Chairman, Tribal Business Council