

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

- WHEREAS, This Sovereign having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 thereby exercising explicit authority thereof as manifest in Section Three of Article six of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in governmental activities on behalf of and in the interest of the benefit and welfare of the Tribes thereof; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes has assumed responsibility for the provision of education services on the Fort Berthold Reservation by establishing a Tribal Education Department to directly oversee all education programs and agencies under the authority of the Tribe, to coordinate all education functions on the Fort Berthold reservation and to develop Three Affiliated Tribes curriculum for the benefit of the enrolled membership of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Three Affiliated Tribes has established a Philosophy and Mission for Education, which commits to strengthen tribal culture and languages, and;
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Council deems it necessary to maintain the Tribe's educational responsibilities to its enrolled membership by developing reservation-wide initiatives which are culturally relevant to the needs of Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara youth and adults, and, secondly, endorsing relevant Tribal Curriculum for preservation of culture and language; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes is responsible and committed to the preservation and promotion of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara languages for reasons of sovereignty, oral history, spiritual, physical and other aesthetic value, and recognizes that only through the languages can Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara thought and philosophy be enhanced and carried on to future generations; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Education Department has conducted numerous public meetings concerning the creation of the Three Affiliated Tribes Language Project; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Education Department in collaboration with the Fort Berthold Community College is applying for a Language Preservation Grant through the Administration for Native Americans (ANA); and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby designates the Tribal Education Department to develop and submit an application to the Administration for Native Americans which will focus on a tribal plan for preservation of the language and culture of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

~~THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes Business Council allocates the authorized funding of \$150,000 for language preservation as in-kind contribution by the Three Affiliated Tribes.~~

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 seven (7) members of whom 5 constitutes a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 1996; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1996.

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Secretary, Tribal Business Council

Attest:

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Chairman, Tribal Business Council


**WHEREAS,** The Fort Berthold Community College is applying for a Language Preservation Grant through the Administration for Native Americans (ANA); and,

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby designates the Fort Berthold Community College to develop and submit an application to ANA which will focus on a tribal plan for preservation of the language and culture of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

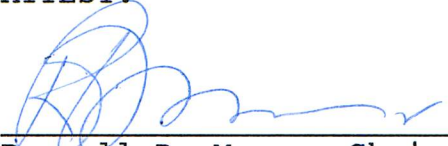
**CERTIFICATION**

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 seven (7) members, of whom five (5) members constitute a quorum. 7 members were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 14th day of March 1996; and that Resolution No. 95-056-DSB was duly adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members absent and not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 14th day of March 1996.

  
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Daylon Spotted Bear, Secretary  
Tribal Business Council

**ATTEST:**

  
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Russell D. Mason, Chairman  
Tribal Business Council