## 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 interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes of enrolled members therefore, and

WHEREAS.

Sahnish Farms Cooperative is a newly formed non-profit American Indian business organization, and

WHEREAS,

Sahnish Farms Cooperative purpose is to provide the educational, technical assistance and conduct research to meet the needs of low-income American Indians who desire to get into farming and make a living as a landowner, and in obtaining agricultural benefits and improving their economic position, and

WHEREAS,

Sahnish Farms Cooperative has completed a market/feasibility study for cultivation of medicinal plants, namely echinacea angustifolia, and

WHEREAS,

Members lack the necessary capital to actually put the work plan into practice, either jointly or individually, and

WHEREAS,

Sahnish Farms Cooperative is requesting financial assistance for start-up capital in the amount of \$15,000 from the Tribal Business Council's economic development funds; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation endorses the Sahnish Farms proposal, and

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED, the Three Affiliated Tribes will commit \$15,000 from their gaming revenues for economic development funds in the form of a \$10,000 loan and a \$5,000 grant, and

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED, that these funds shall be committed as matching funds that may be required by other funding sources, and

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED, the Three Affiliated Tribes will allocated the funds per approval of the Tribes Financial Advisor.

## **CERTIFICATION**

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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,
Dated the 10th day of October, 1996.
Daylon Spottad Blan Secretary, Tribal Business Council
ATTEST:

Chairman, Tribal Business Council