

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
GOVERNING BODY  
OF THE  
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
OF THE  
FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN 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 benefits of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1987, the United States Congress amended the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387, by the addition of § 518 (e) (33 U.S.C. § 1377) that allows Indian tribes to qualify to be treated in the same manner as a state for the purposes of , among other things, administering a water quality standards program under §§ 303 and 401 (33 U.S.C. §§ 1313, 1341) of the Clean Water Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Natural Resources Department of the Three Affiliated Tribes has prepared an application to be treated in the same manner as a State under § 518 (e) (33 U.S.C. § 1377) of the Clean Water Act to be submitted for consideration by the Environmental Protection Agency.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes the attached application to qualify for treatment in the same manner as a State under § 518 (e) (33 U.S.C. § 1377) for the purposes of administering a water quality standards program under §§ 303 and 401 (33 U.S.C. §§ 1313, 1341) of the Clean Water Act for submission to the United States Environmental Protection Agency Regional Administrator of Region 8 for considerations.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Council is hereby delegated the authority to execute all documents necessary to carry out the intentions of this resolution .

**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 constitutes a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting, thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1996; 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vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 1 members not voting and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman (voting) (not voting)

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1996

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Secretary, Tribal Business Council

Attest:

  
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Chairman, Tribal Business Council