

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; Article VI Section 5 (j) empowers the Tribes to protect and preserve the natural resources of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation: and
- WHEREAS; The economic distress of the livestock operators of the Three Affiliated Tribes has already been increase by this harsh winter. Then, on April 4, 5, and 6, 1997, the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation suffered one of the worst blizzards recorded.
- WHEREAS; The blizzard occurred during the calving season causing a significant loss of the calf crop as well as the loss of cows and bulls.
- WHEREAS; Livestock operators will be forced to turn their livestock onto the range prematurely due to hay and feed shortages.
- WHEREAS; Additional grain would help condition the weakened cows for breeding, otherwise additional losses will result due to open cows.
- WHEREAS; Additional grain to supplement livestock on the range would help reduce the impact of early grazing on the rangeland.

WHEREAS; It is the policy of the Government to conserve and improve natural and renewable resources such as soil, forage, fish and wildlife in a manner so they contribute to the continued livelihood of people and the subsistence of many Indian people depends upon the livestock use of range forage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That in order to help conserve our limited natural resources and reduce the financial hardship of the livestock operators, the Tribal Business Council hereby requests an extension of the current Indian Acute Distress Donation Program until June 30.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the daily ration of livestock feed grain under the Indian Acute Distress Donation Program be doubled.


#### 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1997; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1997

Daylon Spotted Bear  
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

  
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Chairman, Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes