

**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 and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** The Flood Control Act of 1944 authorized construction of five dams or reservoirs on the mainstem of the Missouri River which included the Garrison Dam, and
- WHEREAS,** Congress authorized the acquisition of Indian lands, and the Act of October 29, 1949, authorized the United States Government to acquire 156,00 acres of prime agricultural lands on the Fort Berthold Reservation providing 69.1% of the land required for the Garrison Dam; and
- WHEREAS,** The Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Tribes lost the economic base where the tribes had lived for centuries and had established a flourishing agricultural economy and the key trade centers along the Missouri River for nomadic tribes and later the fur trade; and
- WHEREAS,** In May, 1985, the Joint tribal advisory committee was established by the Secretary of the Interior Hodel as recommended by the Garrison Division Unit Commission in their final report when they found that the Three Affiliated Tribes and The Standing Rock Sioux “bore a great share of mainstem reservoirs”, and

WHEREAS, In 1992, Congress passed Public Law 102-575 entitled Three Affiliated Equitable Compensation Act establishing an economic recovery fund of \$149.2 million permanent trust fund with the interest to be used for educational, social welfare, economic development, and other programs, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby establishes the Economic Recovery Fund Committee to Develop a short-term and long-term plan for the expenditure of the interest from the \$149.2 million Economic Recovery Fund by Congress, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the use plan shall be for Education, Social Welfare, Economic Development and Other programs in accordance with the Equitable Compensation Act and subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Economic Recovery Fund Committee Shall be comprised of one (1) member selected by each Councilman and the Chairman and one (1) member selected By each respective Segment/District of the Ft. Berthold Reservation.

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, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 13th day of January, 1998; 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.

Dated the 13th day of January, 1998.

Daylan Spotted Bear
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

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ATTEST:


Chairman, Tribal Business Council