## 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, Article VI, Section 3(a) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to employ legal counsel, with the selection of counsel and the determination of the amount of attorney fees and related expenses being subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative pursuant to 25 U.S.C. Section 476; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(c) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribes and to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for the public purposes of the Tribes, including the payment of salaries and other compensation to Tribal officials and employees; and
- WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Tribal Business Council to retain Raymond Cross to principally provide to the Three Affiliated Tribes legal assistance in the prospective revision of the Tribal Constitution and Bylaws; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council has reviewed and considered the proposed contract between the Three Affiliated Tribes and Raymond Cross and deems it advisable and beneficial to the interests of the Tribes to enter into said proposed contract;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby formally approves entry

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into the Legal Services Contract between the Three Affiliated Tribes and Raymond Cross (a photostatic copy of which Contract is attached hereto and made part hereof), subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative pursuant to 25 U.S.C. Section 476 as delegated by 10 BIAM 3.1.

## 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,
Dated this <u>/4 th</u> day of <u>April</u> , 1998.
Daylon Spotted Blas Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Chairman, Tribal Business Council