

**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,** Actions taken by the United States Congress and by Federal agencies often have important effects felt by the Three Affiliated Tribes and its members; and
- WHEREAS,** Access to and the influencing of decision makers whose actions affect the Three Affiliated Tribes and its members is important to enhance the quality of life for the members of the Three Affiliated Tribes and to protect Tribal sovereignty; and
- WHEREAS,** More than the efforts of the Congressional delegation of the state of North Dakota, who have been and will continue to be, of great assistance to the Three Affiliated Tribes and its members, are necessary to assist in enhancing the quality of life of the members of the Three Affiliated Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** A corporate entity headed by Raul Rubio, known as Sovereign, Inc., has cultivated contacts and has access to important decision makers that can assist the Three Affiliated Tribes in the pursuit of its goals, including the pursuit of assistance of various kinds from the Federal government; and
- WHEREAS,** Raul Rubio, head of Sovereign, Inc., has already demonstrated his ability to put the Three Affiliated Tribes in contact with important decision makers in the Department of Agriculture and other executive departments, at no cost to the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** Raul Rubio has proposed an Agreement for services with the Three Affiliated Tribes which the Tribal Business Council finds to be in the best interests of the Three Affiliated Tribes and its members to enter into;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes to execute an Agreement in the form as attached hereto, calling for Raul Rubio and Sovereign, Inc. to provide services to the Three Affiliated Tribes as specified in the attached Agreement for a fixed amount of \$36,000 per year, renewable annually upon the mutual agreement of the parties; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes the amount of \$10,000 to be paid to Sovereign, Inc. to establish the contractual agreement between the parties as specified in the attached Agreement, which will be applied against the total amount of \$36,000 per year owing to Sovereign, Inc. under the Agreement.


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 Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 28th day of May, 1998; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 28th day of May, 1998.


Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:


Chairman, Tribal Business Council