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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 and Bylaws of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities for the welfare and benefit of the Tribe and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes Comprehensive Five Year Tribal Community Plan documented the need to improve the investigation and prosecution of cases involving the maltreatment of children, with emphasis on the treatment of child victims of trauma and neglect; and
- WHEREAS, The Department of Social Services through the Tribal Children's Services Coordinating Committee and Project HOPE recognize the importance of restoring traditional methods of healing to child victims of maltreatment and trauma and to children at risk with the juvenile justice system; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Children's Services Coordinating Committee and Project HOPE have enjoined in planning a traditional youth leadership camp out through With Honor; an all Indian consulting firm whose goals are to help teach Native American cultural values, language and traditions; and
- WHEREAS, A traditional youth leadership camp out is being planned to accommodate eighty- five children and young adults who will be given hands on instruction on building a sweat lodge, erecting a tipi, the preparation and storage of traditional foods, the identification of medicinal plants and herbs, singing, drumming, round dancing, rabbit dancing, trail riding, swimming, story telling, role playing and cultural and history lessons. Each child will learn his or her clan relatives and what role he or she plays within the clan; and.

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- WHEREAS, The cultural experts involved need be indigenous to this area, therefore, local tribal elders, teachers, parents, cultural consultants and advisors will be called on throughout the camp out; and
- WHEREAS, Upon completion of the Traditional Leadership Camp Out, the children will have attained knowledge of their heritage and clan ship ties, a respect for others and an appreciation of nature, the preparation of food and the sacredness of it. They will have learned how to socialize through song and dance as opposed to alcohol and drugs, and they will have prayed to their Creator or Higher Power through the sweat ceremony, morning sunrise, or meal time. They will have heard powerful motivational speakers and will have taken home a greater sense of pride, self worth, enhanced leadership skills and a renewed outlook on life; and
- WHEREAS, Since most of the children involved will be from indigent families, camp or registration fees will not be charged; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council recognizes the importance of investing in our children and the importance of continuing for perpetuity the language and culture, crafts, history and spiritual values of the Sahnish, Neueda and Hidatsa; and
- WHEREAS, Tribal Children Services Committee Coordinator and Project Hope have allocated \$6,000.00 of the \$11,000.00 budget planned for this project through their respective budgets; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council went on record at their Special Council Meeting held on May 19, 1998 supporting this request and allocated \$5,000 in tribal monies.

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NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, the Tribal Business Council approves \$5,000.00. from tribal monies.

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, were present at a Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the day of, 1998; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of members, members opposed,
members abstained, members not voting, and that said Resolution has
not been rescinded or amended in any way.
Dated this 29th day of May, 1998.
Daylon Spolled Blass Secretary, Tribal Business Council
ATTEST:

Chairman, Tribal Business Council