## 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 of said Act: and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution and By-laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes 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 III of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes grants to the Tribal Business Council the authority to appoint such officers as it may find necessary;
- WHEREAS, The Native American Economic Development Company, LLC, is an organization whose function and proposal is to organize and develop a tribally owned and operated Bank Holding Company which will provide opportunities for economic development to our Reservation, the Three Affiliated Tribes, and its membership;
- WHEREAS, Several tribes with strong economies and profitable ventures have expressed interest and commitment to the organization and the proposed bank holding company, including but not limited to the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Salt River Pima Maricopa Tribe, Colville Confederated Tribes, Sealaska Corporation, Puyallup Tribe, Sault Ste.Marie Chippewa Tribe, Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin;
- WHEREAS, It is important that the Three Affiliated Tribes and its governing Council appoint representative(s) to the new organization to represent our tribal government and to help facilitate our Tribes potential participation and opportunities with the Native American Economic Development Company, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation, collectively known as the Three Affiliated Tribes, hereby appoints MARK N. FOX as official delegate and representative to the Native American Economic Development Company, LLC, and entities or affiliates thereof, and that any Council member who is available to attend the meetings of the NAEDC shall be authorized to serve as an alternate, and that the Tribe's Financial Advisor shall be authorized to continue to provide assistance on this economic development project to the Tribal Business Council as a staff member.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council authorizes the Treasurer and Chairman to make an expenditure of \$10,000.00 dollars to Native American Economic Development Company as intial capital necessary to assist the start-up of this project (Phase I) and shall be consistent with initial capital amounts contributed and appropriated by other tribal nations for the same purpose.

## 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,
Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.
Dated this <u>/st</u> day of September, 1998.
ATTEST: Daylon Gatter Butter SECRETARY, Tribal Business Council
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CHAIRMAN, Tribal Business Council