

**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 Three Affiliated Tribes is a member of the United Tribes of North Dakota, and

WHEREAS, United Tribes exists to assist in furthering the common goals of the North Dakota Indian Tribes and Nations; and

WHEREAS, the Three affiliated Tribes and the other member Tribes of United Tribes all are seeking to expand and diversify their economic base and provide meaningful employment to their members, and to allow their members to develop business enterprises that will assist Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, Authority for approving loans guaranteed by the U.S. Government through the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has been returned to the area offices, including the BIA Aberdeen Area office and the available authority amount for guaranteed loans has increased substantially;

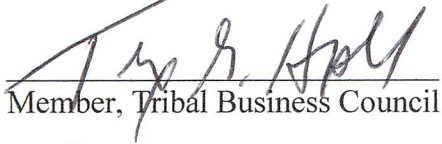
WHEREAS, The economic development and credit assistance office of the BIA Aberdeen Area Office is now located in Rapid City, South Dakota, which is inconvenient and costly for North Dakota Tribes and their members to access: and

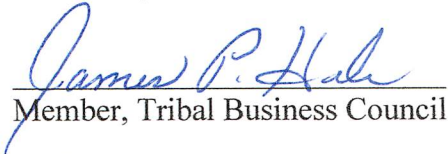
WHEREAS, The Three Affiliated Tribes along with the United Tribes of North Dakota believe that a Bismarck office for the economic development programs of the BIA should be established and staffed, located at United Tribes Technical College to provide less costly assistance to the Three Affiliated Tribes and the other North Dakota Tribes and their members;

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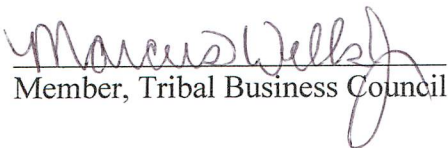
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, recommends to the Bureau of Indian Affairs that an economic development and credit office within the BIA Aberdeen Area office be established as soon as possible in Bismarck, North Dakota for the benefit of assessing credit applications of North Dakota Tribal members and North Dakota Indian Tribes.

Affirmatively approved by the undersigned executives of the Tribal Business Council meeting at which a quorum is present.


Member, Tribal Business Council


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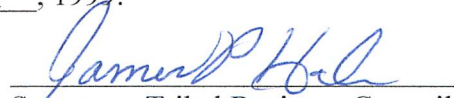

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CERTIFICATION

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 (seven) members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, and that 4 members, constituting a majority of the Tribal Council, whose signatures appear above, voted in favor of the foregoing Resolution.

Dated this 25 day of Jan, 1999.


Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:


Chairman, Tribal Business Council