

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,** This Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

**WHEREAS,** the **Fort Berthold Family Independence** program has received an **Administration for Native Americans** SEDS Grant for \$411,575. in start-up capital to establish the **ElboWoodsWorks Cooperative** to provide economic development opportunities through the formation of a *for profit* small business to primarily produce and market caskets and accessories but will also manufacture cedar chests, sheds, playgroundstructures, bed frames, bookshelves, ramps, and other products; and

**WHEREAS,** the **ElboWoodsWorks Cooperative** is in need of a business location to start-up on October 1, 1999, with related work and storage space Director, Sales Manager, Five (5) Production workers; and

**WHEREAS,** the former **Aubols Ford Agency** property is available for sale by the Lakeside State Bank under a closed bid process to be available in September 1999; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council in support of tribal small business development hereby authorizes top priority to the **ElboWoodsWorks Cooperative** as the tenants of the property if the Tribe is the successful bidder and acquires this business property; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Fort Berthold Family Independence Program is hereby authorized to work in close cooperation with the Natural Resource Department in the following areas

- (1) **Initiate** a financial bid proposal to assure that the best interests of the Tribe are protected;
- (2) **Generate** a Tribal revenue seed source for the bid;.
- (3) **Underwrite** the capital investment by Tribal revenue source in

behalf of the **ElboWoodsWorks Cooperative.**

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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 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on September 17, 1999; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members 0 opposed 0 members abstained 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated the 17th of September 1999..

Daylon Spotted Bear  
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Tyler Hall  
Chairman, Tribal Business Council