



**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY  
OF THE  
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
OF THE  
FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION**

*A Resolution entitled, "October 11, 2004 All Chiefs' Day Includes The Wiping of the Tears Ceremony".*

**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 best interest of the welfare and the benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and

**WHEREAS,** Article; VI, Section 5 (c), provides that the Tribal Business Council may Administer any funds or property within the exclusive control of the Tribes, to make expenditures from available tribal funds; and

**WHEREAS,** Pastor Elise Packineau, of the Shell Creek Congregational Church was instructed of God in 1996 that the people of Fort Berthold were in need of a healing process to overcome the inter-generational loss and mourning of the destruction of their homes and lands in 1953 when both were flooded for Garrison Diversion; and

**WHEREAS,** Four Elder Leaders have agreed to cooperate as mentors of this process, along with consultation and participation of Tribal Business Council members, Malcolm Wolf and Randy Phelan. In preparation, Mr. Robert Bear, Mr. Roy Bird Bear and Mr. Edwin Benson will meet at Highway 8 in the White Shield District and pray collectively for healing to begin. Then taking this prayer support to 4-Bears Events Center they will be met by Mr. Meredith Dreke Irwin who will perform the Wiping of the Tears Ceremonial Rites for the Tribal members present; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Optimistic** that positive feelings and restoration will come for the Three Affiliated Tribes, the membership will be encouraged to participate by bringing memorabilia and memories to the Events Center where booths will in place to display them. Mrs. Marilyn Hudson will be called on to coordinate this effort in remembering the affirmative customs and practices in the tribal communities that fostered loving family cohesiveness. The displays will be utilized to not only bring remembrance, but also to educate and inform the young people who will be taught to heal and repair damaged emotions as well. And, State newspapers, reporters, and officials will be called in an effort to educate on the recovery issues from grief and loss that the historical experience of Garrison Diversion has brought; the focus being on the people of Fort Berthold and their trans-generational healing; and



**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED;** The Tribal Business Council is requested to in-kind contribute resources to include, first, the Wiping of the Tears Ceremonial Rites will be authorized to be held in conjunction with the 2004 All Chief's Day; complimentary use of the Events Center (and Casino Events personnel) on October 11<sup>th</sup> with booth set-up the evening before; and corresponding complimentary meal for the participants. Secondly, resources contributed will include participation from the tribal Programs especially the elder program; promotion of Student participation; use of the tribal media-both the radio and newspaper; mass mailing postage costs; mileage for the four elders and promoters of the Day, use of tribal copiers, and tribal museum historians (refer to corresponding budget attached).

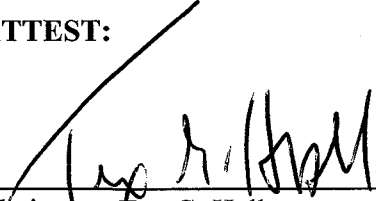
**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 1 day of September, 2004, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [] Voting. [  ] Not Voting.

Dated this 1 day of SEPTEMBER, 2004.

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Executive Secretary, Randy Phelan  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

**ATTEST:**  
  
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Chairman, Tex G. Hall  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes