

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

A Resolution entitled, "Approval of Withholding from People's Fund Disbursements for payment of Rental Property Damages owed to Ree Lodge Management Program of the White Shield Segment of the MHA Nation."

- WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws pursuant to said Act; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution and By-laws of the Three Affiliated Tribes, also known as the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation ("Tribes" or "MHA Nation") was adopted by membership of the Tribes on May 15th, 1936, pursuant to the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 and duly approved by the Secretary of Interior; and
- WHEREAS, Article III of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution 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, The Ree Lodge Management Program, affiliate of the White Shield Segment (East Segment) of the MHA Nation, provides rental housing as well as lease to buy opportunities through its home mortgage program for its community members; and
- WHEREAS, Ree Lodge Management has suffered extraordinary damages to certain of its properties in recent years due to the drug crisis pervading in the community, including contamination of homes from illegal drug use, costing as much as \$10,000.00 or more to remediate, with no means to collect reimbursement from the persons causing the damage; and
- WHEREAS, People's Fund Disbursement deductions will facilitate collection of payments owed for damages to homes from Tribal members renting from Ree Lodge Management or participating in the home mortgage program; and
- WHEREAS, It is the intention of the Tribal Business Council to do all it can regarding delinquencies of Tribal members and to ensure financial stability for the Ree Lodge Management Program and the home mortgage program.



- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby determines and declares that People's Fund Disbursements shall be subject to withholding from each disbursement for any Tribal member who owes for damages in the cumulative amount of \$1,000.00 or more in connection with any rental agreement or home mortgage program participation thorough the Ree Lodge Management Program; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that withholding shall be at the following percentages of the net disbursement for the following delinquent amounts: from \$1,000.00 to \$3,000.00 owed, 25% of net disbursement; above \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 owed, 50% of net disbursement; over \$5,000.00 owed, 75% of net disbursement; and
- BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that Ree Lodge Management Program shall provide written notice with a detailed accounting to TAT/MHA Tribal Administration of any damages of \$1,000 or more owed by any Tribal member to Ree Lodge prior to any scheduled People's Fund disbursement, and shall provide updated accounting for each subsequent disbursement for which withholding is requested.

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, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 19th day of December, 2019, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 1 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 19th day of December, 2019.

ATTEST

Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox

Tribal Business Council
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Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox

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