



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

A Resolution Entitled, “*Declaring State of Emergency Due to COVID-19 Outbreak*”

- WHEREAS,** The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (MHA Nation), also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes, having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, the authority under said Act, and having adopted a Constitution and By-laws (the Constitution) under said Act, and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the MHA Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** The Constitution 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 MHA Nation and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(1) of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt Resolutions regulating the procedures of the Tribal Business Council, its agencies and officials; and
- WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5(c) of the Constitution specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer funds within the exclusive control of the Nation and to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for public purposes for the Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** The health, safety, and welfare of all persons within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation is the greatest priority of the Tribal Business Council; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribe is committed to being as prepared as possible to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak; and
- WHEREAS,** The Tribal Business Council is aware that every member of the Three Affiliated Tribes community plays an important role in preventing the spread of the disease and protecting other community members; and
- WHEREAS,** The acting Secretary of Health and Human Services declared that a public health emergency exists due to the outbreak of COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS,** A large scale outbreak of COVID-19 poses a grave threat to lives of members and the economic stability of the Tribe; and



WHEREAS, Federal, state, and tribal agencies are expending resources to prepare for and treat cases of COVID-19, support the existing healthcare system, and to address resource shortages caused by the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary for the Tribe to declare a State of Emergency and develop response measures intended to reduce the spread of COVID-19; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribe hereby declares that a State of Emergency exists and that further steps must be taken to secure the safety of tribal members and the economic stability of the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council authorizes execution of FEMA Form No. 010-0-13 in order to secure FEMA funds and assistance during this disaster, and directs its officers to contact federal and state agencies to secure available funds to fight the COVID-19 pandemic.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council establishes a COVID-19 Outbreak Committee which shall develop emergency proclamations and directives related to COVID-19 outbreak.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the COVID-19 Outbreak Committee shall submit all proclamations and directives to the Tribal Business Council who shall approve or deny such declarations and directives by motion.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Tribal Chairman is authorized to take such action as is necessary to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.

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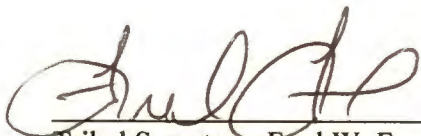
CERTIFICATION

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 18th day of March, 2020, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

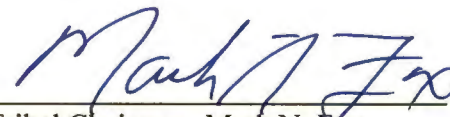
Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 18th day of March, 2020.

ATTEST:



Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox
Tribal Business Council



Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox
Tribal Business Council