



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

**A Resolution Entitled: “ *Approval of the 2020 Fort Berthold Reservation Burn Ban.*”**

**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 of the Three Affiliated Tribes, also known as the Mandan Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation (“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,** 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,** Article IV, Section 5(1) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides the Tribal Business Council authority to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Council and other Tribal Agencies and Tribal Officials of the Reservation.

**WHEREAS,** The Fort Berthold Reservation has very dry conditions with significant grassland fuel available; and

**WHEREAS,** The Fort Berthold Reservation has sustained or has been threatened with wildland fire as of this date, and the Three Affiliated Tribes Fire Management (TAT Fire) has been in consultation with BIA Regional Fire Management personnel; and

**WHEREAS,** All available resources remain committed to protecting life and property and the cost of response, inordinate equipment wear, and fire damages may be in excess of TAT Fire resources.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby declares a Fire Emergency and Burn Ban to include a ban on ignition of fireworks, garbage burning, unattended and or unsafe campfires, burning of farm or crop land, and unnecessary off-road motorized travel when the North Dakota Rangeland Fire Index is in the High, Very High, or Extreme Category and/or a Red Flag Warning has been issued for any of the Counties located within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. The



daily North Dakota Fire Danger Rating Map can be found at the following web site: <http://www.ndresponse.gov>; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that any individual who willfully violates the Fort Berthold Burn Ban may be held responsible for any and all damages resulting from a wildfire due to said violation and for restitution of all Fire Suppression costs.

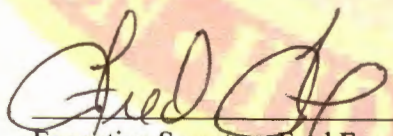
**CERTIFICATION**

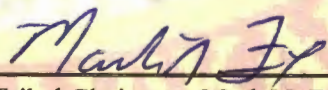
I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, 6 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 2 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman  Voting.  Not Voting.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

**ATTEST:**

  
Executive Secretary Fred Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

  
Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes