

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

- A Resolution Entitled, "Authorizing the MHA Nation COVID-19 Response Team, the MHA Nation CEDS/Planning and Grants Department, and the South Segment Community Development Corporation to Coordinate and Cooperate in COVID-19 Related Funding Pursuit."
- WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation, also known as the Three Affiliated Tribes ("MHA Nation" or "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, Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution, the Tribal Business Council has the authority to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The Nation has a vested interest in short and long-term response to the current COVID-19 pandemic and any future pandemics or emergencies; and
- WHEREAS, The South Segment Community Development Corporation (SSCDC), on behalf of current and future Tribal members residing in the South Segment of the Ft Berthold Indian Reservation, has a number of capital improvement and economic development projects (the "Projects") in its near-term future plans that address these short-term emergencies and long-term resiliency; and
- WHEREAS, These Projects include, but are not necessarily limited to: the Twin Buttes Clinic, the conversion/remodel of the old community center to an emergency response center, communications infrastructure (broadband and cell tower improvements) sustainable and resilient local food initiatives (fruit orchards, elk and bison meat processing, community chicken protein/egg production cooperative, aquaculture, greenhouses), energy resiliency (solar with emergency battery storage), further enhancements to the existing C-Store and hardware store, and potential acquisition of additional clinic space in Halliday; and



- WHEREAS, The SSCDC, working with their advisors Baker Tilly, have identified funding opportunities through current and future COVID-19 related legislation that could further enable these Projects; and
- WHEREAS, The SSCDC wishes to work in an expedited and collaborative fashion with MHA Nation's COVID-19 response team as it relates to pursuit of these opportunities, and put in place reasonable and appropriate protocols and communications to allow for transparent and coordinated funding pursuit; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council has been informed that the SSCDC wishes to pursue funding programs to support these South Segment initiatives to the extent a) the MHA Nation is pursuing funding under a specific program and the program allows for multiple applications and/or b) the MHA Nation is not pursuing the specific funding program.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes authorizes that the MHA Nation COVID-19 Response Team, MHA Nation CEDS/Planning and Grants Department, the Tribes' Federal funding acquisition team, and the overall Tribal Administration work with the SSCDC in an expedited and collaborative manner, under reasonable and appropriate protocols, to allow for transparent and coordinated funding pursuit as it relates to COVID-19, under the conditions stated above; and
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that 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, 5 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 11th day of June, 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 [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this 11th day of Jung, 2020.

Tribal Secretary, Fred W Fox

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