

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

A Resolution Entitled: "Consent to Approve Participation in North Dakota Alzheimer's State Plan."

- 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, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report Alzheimer's disease is the fifth leading cause of death for American Indian and Alaskan Native men ages 85+; and
- WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report Alzheimer's disease is the eighth leading cause of death for American Indian and Alaskan Native women across all ages 18+; and
- WHEREAS, North Dakota has the fourth highest mortality rate of Alzheimer's disease in the United States, 52.9 deaths per 100,000 people versus the national average of 37 deaths per 100,000 people; and
- WHEREAS, The North Dakota Department of Health provided funding to the North Dakota Center for Rural Health beginning October 2021 and ending in September 2022 to update North Dakota's Alzheimer's State Plan; and
- WHEREAS, The North Dakota Center for Rural Health contracted with the University of North Dakota and North Dakota State University's Departments of Public Health to provide Alzheimer's disease content expertise; and
- WHEREAS, The North Dakota Alzheimer's State Plan is a collaborative project between the



North Dakota Department of Health and the North Dakota Center for Rural Health. Data collected will be reported in aggregate to the North Dakota Department of Health and results will be published; and

- WHEREAS, The North Dakota Alzheimer's disease State Plan's mission is to create inclusive community and health systems that understand, respect, and support persons who are at-risk of or have been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or another form of dementia and their caregivers.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council of the MHA Nation approves participation in key informant interviews to inform the North Dakota Alzheimer's State Plan to ensure Indigenous voices and knowledge are represented; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the American Indian Public Health Resource Center located at the North Dakota State University will obtain Institutional Review Board approval as required for this project; and
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that data specific to the Three Affiliated Tribes will be reported back to the Tribal community by North Dakota State University's American Indian Public Health Resource Center and will be the sole property of the Three Affiliated Tribes.

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 27th day of July, 2022, 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. [X] Not Voting.

Dated this 27th day of July, 2022.

ATTEST:

Executive Secretary Fred Fox

Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

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