



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

**A Resolution Entitled, “*Authorizing and Approving Survey of Interior Portion of the Little Missouri River*”**

**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,** The MHA Nation has an interest in obtaining a survey reflecting acreage within the interior of the Fort Berthold Reservation between the banks of the Little Missouri River (LMR), based on the existing General Land Office survey, in order to accurately depict the Tribe’s mineral interests in those lands; and

**WHEREAS,** Mountain Plains LLC (Mountain Plains) has provided to the Tribe a proposal to survey the interior portion of the LMR at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00; and

**WHEREAS,** The U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has agreed to fund the LMR interior portion survey pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Public Law 93-638).

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** The Tribal Business Council hereby authorizes the MHA Nation Energy Department to complete the survey utilizing the BIA funding pursuant to the Energy Department’s contract under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Public Law 93-638).



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Tribal Business Council authorizes the attached proposal of Mountain Plains to act as the Tribe's expert in completing the survey of the interior portion of the LMR pursuant to the Public Law 93-638 contract between the MHA Nation Energy Department and BIA.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, The Chairman of the Tribal Business Council is hereby authorized to execute such documents and take such further actions as are necessary to complete the survey and to carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [ X ] voting. [ ] not voting.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox  
Tribal Business Council

  
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Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox  
Tribal Business Council