

## OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION

A Resolution Entitled: "Authority For The MHA Emergency Operations Center to Seek on Behalf of MHA Nation the USDA-Forest Service Community Wildfire Defense Grant for Fiscal Year 2022."

- 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" or "MHA") 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; and
- WHEREAS, The MHA Emergency Operations Center's mission is to reduce the overall vulnerability of communities and infrastructure on the Fort Berthold Reservation by coordinating and integrating all activities necessary to build, sustain, and improve the Tribes' capability to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from threatened or actual natural disasters, acts of terrorism, or other man-made disasters; and
- WHEREAS, The MHA Emergency Operations Center provides critical Emergency Management/Incident Management Services to the Tribes and has identified the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation as at high risk from the hazard of Wildfires; and
- WHEREAS, The MHA Emergency Operations Center intends to apply for available grant funding through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)-Forest Service Community Wildfire Defense Grant for Fiscal Year 2022, Funding Opportunity Number USDA-FS-2022-CWDG-TRIBES; and



WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes finds that application for and acceptance of the aforementioned grant funding would benefit the health, welfare, and safety of the Tribes and its enrolled members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby approves and authorizes the MHA Emergency Operations Center on behalf of the Tribes to apply for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)-Forest Service Community Wildfire Defense Grant for Fiscal Year 2022, Funding Opportunity Number USDA-FS-2022-CWDG-TRIBES, so that the Tribes may receive federal funding to provide for necessary resources for Wildfire Mitigation on the Fort Berthold Reservation in coordination with all stakeholders, and approves that the Tribes accept such grant funding if awarded; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Tribal Chairman is hereby authorized to execute such documents and take such further actions as are necessary 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 14th day of September 2022.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox Tribal Business Council

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Chairman, Mark N. Fox Tribal Business Council

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