

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

A Resolution entitled, "Amending Resolution 23-129-FWF Approving IMDA Lease with Marathon Oil Company in Township 152N Range 93W and Township 151N Range 93W."

- 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,** Article IX, Sections 1 and 3 of the Constitution, provides that the Tribal Business Council has the authority to manage and lease or otherwise deal with tribal lands and resources; and
- WHEREAS, Leases and Rights-of-Way ("ROWs") across Tribal Trust land require the consent of the Tribal Business Council pursuant to federal and Tribal Law; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribe approved an Indian Mineral Development Act Agreement (IMDA) with Marathon Oil Company on April 13th, 2023 pursuant to Resolution No. 23-129-FWF, authorizing an oil and gas lease covering approximately 1,658.01 tribal mineral acres in Township 152N Range 93W and Township 151N Range 93W; and
- WHEREAS, After further review Marathon has requested that MT 5608 (1.73 acres) be included in the lease thereby increasing the acreage to 1,659.74 acres, and that a scrivener's error on MT 5607 be corrected to reference Section 30 instead of Section 25.
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council hereby approves the requested changes and authorizes the Chairman to execute, subject to legal review, appropriate amendments to the IMDA with Marathon Oil Company.
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** That the Chairman is hereby authorized to approve any non-material revisions deemed necessary to obtain approval of the lease by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and to take such further action as is 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 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 8th day of June, 2023, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 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 8th day of June, 2023.

ATTEST:

Tribal Secretary, Fred W. Fox

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