Resolution No. 23-389-FWF



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

## A Resolution Entitled "Authorization for a Disbursement to the Elders."

- **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, Pursuant to Article III., Section 1 of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes, also known as the Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Nation ("Tribes" or "MHA Nation") provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5 (l) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes provides that the Tribal Business Council has the power to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Business Council and other Tribal agencies and Tribal officials on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, An elder is defined as an enrolled Tribal member who is 60 years of age or older by December 31, 2023 for the December 2023 disbursement and 60 years of age or older by July 31, 2024 for the July 2024 disbursement and has substantial medical or other needs which are not being met through existing programs of assistance; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council desires to do what it can to help meet the needs of Tribal elders; and
- **WHEREAS,** There are available sufficient Tribal Funds in the Fiscal Year 2024 budget to permit each elder to receive an elderly assistance grant in the amount \$3,000 for health care and other needs of each and every Tribal elder; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council desires to have these funds distributed from the Docket Funds and/or income derived from the Tribes' lands in accordance with Resolution #03-186-RP.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby authorizes and directs the Tribal Finance Department to pay each and every living Tribal member who is an elder, as defined above, a financial disbursement in the amount of \$3,000 to be distributed on or about December 2023 and July 2024 as part of Tribal elderly living assistance.



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**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that such disbursements will be paid from available income derived from the Tribes' trust lands and income in accordance with Resolution #03-186-RP.

## 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, 7 were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.

ATTEST:

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Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

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