



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

**A Resolution Entitled, “*Request to Indian Health Services to Return Land Within the Four Bears Segment.*”**

**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,** Land within the Four Bears Segment, legally described in **Attachment A**, is owned by Indian Health Services; and

**WHEREAS,** The lands in question have historically been owned by the Tribe and a return of those lands to the Tribe would allow the Tribe to expand its critical infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS,** The Tribe believes the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of Indian Health Services should declare all the described land in trust for the MHA Nation.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Tribal Business Council requests the Secretary of the Interior and Director of Indian Health Services take all necessary action declare all those lands depicted and described in Attachment A in trust for the benefit of the MHA Nation.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** The Chairman is authorized to execute such documents and take such 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2024, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 6 embers, 0 members opposed, 6 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [ ] Voting. [ X ] Not Voting.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2024

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Tribal Secretary, Fred Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

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Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox  
Tribal Business Council  
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