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

WHEREAS, This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the Authority under said Act; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes 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 the enrolled members thereof; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(l) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes (Tribe) specifically grants to the Tribal Business Council the authority to adopt resolutions regulating the procedure of the Tribal Business Council and other Tribal agencies and Tribal officials of the Reservation; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council conducts confidential closed sessions in some circumstances and these closed sessions are recorded on audio tapes which are not allowed to be copied; and

WHEREAS, The tapes from closed sessions are kept by the Tribe’s Recording Secretary’s Office and furnishing these tapes on the demand of the parties to a closed session for an indeterminate period of time and to an indeterminate number of people would be an undue administrative burden on the Tribe’s Recording Secretaries; and

WHEREAS, Individuals have come forward asking for a transcription of various meetings of the Tribal Business Council; and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council has considered the matter and agrees that it would be in the best interest of the Tribes to place time, place, and manner restrictions on access to closed session audio tapes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Three Affiliated Tribes Tribal Business hereby places the following time, place, and manner restrictions to the access of closed session audio tapes:
(1) Who. The subject of a closed session will be allowed access to closed session audio tapes.

(2) When. Access to the tapes will be allowed during the following hours of a workday of the Three Affiliated Tribes and only on twenty-four hours' notice to a designated Recording Secretary: Jean Baker, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (cst).

(3) Access Period. Access to the tapes of a particular closed session will be allowed for up to three working days after the closed session.

(4) The subject of a closed session will be allowed up to one time to listen to the tapes (one listening session).

(5) The subject may bring anyone that he/she wants to a listening session, however, only two people are allowed at the listening session.

(6) Where. The listening sessions are to take place at the Recording Secretary's Office.

The subject of a closed session will not be allowed to touch, handle, or otherwise exercise any form of control or possession of the audio tape or the tape playing machine in any manner. Only a Recording Secretary or his/her designee is allowed to do so.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That these access rules shall be conspicuously posted by the Recording Secretary in locations calculated to give reasonable notice to employees of the Three Affiliated Tribes and a copy of these access rules shall be given to the subject individual before a closed session.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That should any individual desire a transcribed copy of any open meeting that is taped but is not normally transcribed by the Recording Secretary’s Office, he or she must pay for the reasonable costs of the transcription and a copy of the transcription. Should any individual desire a transcribed copy of any open meeting taped and normally transcribed by the Recording Secretary’s Office, he or she must pay the reasonable cost of a copy of the transcription.

**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 seven (7) members, of whom five (5) constitute a quorum; five (5) were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 13th day of March, 2002; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of five (5) members, members opposed, members abstained, members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.
Dated the 13 day of March, 2002.

ATTEST:

Chairman, Tribal Business Council

Resolution #02- 041

Secretary, Tribal Business Council

Page 3 of 3