



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

A Resolution Entitled, “*Supporting the Free Running of the Wild Horse Herd at Theodore Roosevelt National Park*”

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 National Park Service is developing a “Livestock Management Plan” for the Theodore Roosevelt National Park which will update the current horse and cattle management guides from 1978 and 1970, respectively; and

WHEREAS, The proposed “Livestock Management Plan” considers the role that the horse and livestock herds have on the park landscape and their impacts to the native species and prairie ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, The “Livestock Management Plan” identifies three alternatives to address the approximately 200 horses in the South Unit of the park that includes either: 1) No Action – continued management under the 1978 management plan; 2) Active Capture – reduction of herd in an expedited fashion; or 3) Proposed Action – phased reduction of herd to no livestock; and

WHEREAS, The MHA Nation is held holds horses in high esteem as horses are significant to the MHA people and have played a major role in MHA history, tradition and culture; and

WHEREAS, The MHA Nation recognizes the wild horses running free in the park require genetic diversity and responsible herd management policies and techniques to maintain for the health of the herd.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Tribal Business Council supports the continued free running of the horse herd in Theodore Roosevelt National Park pursuant to a management policy that includes proper genetic diversity and efficient herd management policies and techniques.

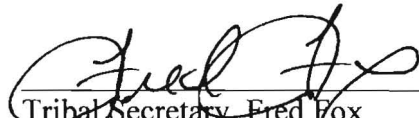


CERTIFICATION


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 13th day of April, 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 13th day of April, 2023



Tribal Secretary, Fred Fox
Tribal Business Council
Three Affiliated Tribes



Tribal Chairman, Mark N. Fox
Tribal Business Council
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