



BLACKFEET NATION

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PROCLAMATION OF THE BLACKFEET TRIBAL BUSINESS COUNCIL

Badger Two Medicine

Original Buffalo Returning to Original Homelands

- WHEREAS:** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is the duly constituted governing body of the Blackfeet Nation pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934, and amendments thereof, and,
- WHEREAS:** The entire area of the Badger Two Medicine has been designated a Traditional Cultural District (TCD), under the National Historic Preservation Act, by the keeper of the National Register of Historic Places, and
- WHEREAS:** The Buffalo has been central to the Blackfeet Culture, it's life blood, individual, community and the entire way of life for the Blackfeet people, since time immemorial, and
- WHEREAS:** The Buffalo has been recognized by all the Buffalo Treaty Tribes, including the Blackfoot Confederacy, as a symbol of cultural values and cultural integrity, and
- WHEREAS:** Eighty nine (89) genetically pure, disease free, descendent buffalo, having been absent for a century, from the Blackfeet Indian Nation have returned to Blackfeet Country from Elk Island National Park, and
- WHEREAS:** The Badger Two Medicine Traditional Cultural District (TCD) is incomplete without the buffalo, a being at the center of the Blackfeet universe as it relates to Blackfeet Culture, and

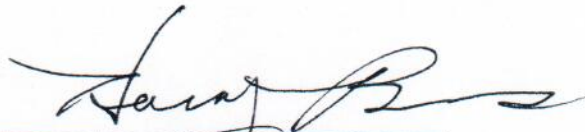
WHEREAS: The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council acting within its authority as related to Blackfeet Culture will place eighty nine (89) buffalo into the Badger Two Medicine to graze as free roaming wildlife, thereby making the Traditional Cultural District more fully culturally restored and ecologically balanced, and

WHEREAS: The Blackfeet Buffalo Program and the Blackfeet Land Department are directed to immediately give notice to the Lewis & Clark National Forest of the Blackfeet Plan to restore Buffalo to the Traditional Cultural District (TCD) in the Badger Two Medicine, and

THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BLACKFEET NATION:

The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council does hereby proclaim that returning of Buffalo to the Badger Two Medicine is an act of Blackfeet cultural renewal to more fully restore Blackfeet Culture in the area for thousands of years.

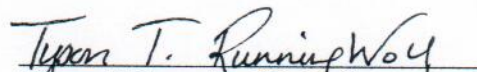
Dated this 6th day of October, 2016
Blackfeet Headquarters
Blackfeet Indian Reservation
Browning, Montana



Harry Barnes, Chairman
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing Proclamation was adopted by the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council in a duly called, noticed and convened General Session at Blackfeet Headquarters, in Browning, Montana, and assembled the 6th day of October, 2016 with 8 council members present to constitute a quorum and with a vote of **8 FOR** and zero **0 OPPOSED**.



Tyson T Running Wolf, Secretary
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council

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