



# BLACKFEET NATION

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 26, 2000

TO: Book St. Goddard, Blkft. Stock Growers Association Chairman

FROM: Anna Lee Pemberton, Director *(alp)*  
Tribal Documents Department

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Tribal Resolution(s)

Attached are copies of Tribal Resolution(s) as indicated:

No. <u>166-2000</u> (2)	No. _____
No. _____	No. _____
No. _____	No. _____

These Resolution(s) are transmitted for your information, files, and/or action. If you may have any questions, please contact me at my office at 338-7179, Ext. 246.

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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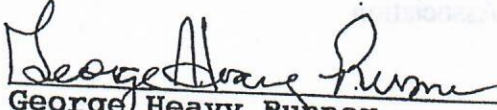
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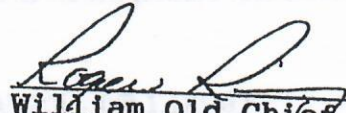
NUMBER: 166-2000.

- WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is the duly constituted governing body within the exterior boundaries of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council has been organized to represent, develop, protect and advance the views, interests, education and resources of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, The livestock operators of the Blackfeet Reservation have organized for mutual benefits in order to promote the development and growth of the livestock industry, to provide financial support for furthering activities beneficial to meeting common goals and objectives as stockmen in this area, and do hereby agree to work together without capital stock for the purpose of forming the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association, and
- WHEREAS, The goals of the Association are to further development and growth of the livestock industry on the Blackfeet Reservation and provide a means of association for mutual growth and protection of individual members of this association, and
- WHEREAS, To improve communications between stockmen and the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council to address agricultural issues, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council does hereby recognize and fully support the establishment and purpose of the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association developed and adopted bylaws that govern the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association.

ATTEST:

THE BLACKFEET TRIBE OF THE  
BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION

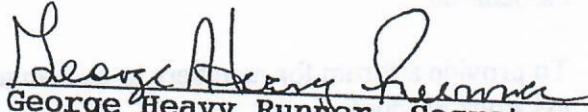
  
George Heavy Runner,  
Secretary

 *acting*  
William Old Chief  
Chairman

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council during a duly called, noticed and convened Regular Session assembled for business the 2nd day of March, 2000, with Nine (9) members present to constitute a quorum, and by a vote of Eight (8) members For and One (1) Opposed.

(CORPORATE SEAL)

  
George Heavy Runner, Secretary  
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council

# BYLAWS OF THE BLACKFEET NATION STOCK GROWERS ASSOCIATION

## PREAMBLE

We the undersigned livestock operators of the Blackfeet Reservation organize for mutual benefit in order to promote the development and growth of the livestock industry in this area, to provide financial support for furthering activities beneficial to meeting our common goals and objectives as stockman in this area, and do hereby agree to work together without capitol stock for the purpose of forming the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association.

## ARTICLE I - ESTABLISHMENT

Pursuant to Blackfeet Tribal Business Council Resolution #156-2000 which recognizes the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association, these Bylaws shall govern the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association.

## ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The nature of the business of the Association and its objectives and purpose for which this association is formed are:

1. To further development and growth of the livestock industry in this area and to provide a means of association for mutual growth and protection of individual members of this association.
2. To provide a forum for members to exchange ideas and information on matters relevant to livestock production.
3. This Association shall not endorse, or take part in, the activities of any political party, nor shall it take part in any purely political controversies, or endorse any individual political candidate. This provision, however, shall not prohibit the Association from engaging in political activity for the purpose of obtaining the passage or adoption of any livestock programs fostered by it.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership in the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association is open to anyone regardless of race, ~~creed~~, color, sex, disability or national origin.
2. Dues: The dues shall be \$50.00 per membership year. *Religion*
3. Membership Year: The membership shall run from January 1 to December 31 of each year.
4. Membership in Good Standing: Member in good standing when they have paid the current years dues.

#### ARTICLE IV - RIGHTS & DUTIES OF MEMBERS

1. Membership is entitled to participate in various forums, symposia, meetings and committees, as well as receive the proceedings of the meetings and materials sent to the membership by the Board.
2. Each membership shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

#### ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Elected from the membership of the Association, the Executive Board shall be comprised of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer, none of which shall receive any compensation.

#### ARTICLE VI - TERM OF OFFICE

The term of office of all officers shall be one year and shall be elected in February of each year. Members nominated for office must be members in good standing.

#### ARTICLE VII - POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

##### CHAIRPERSON-

The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Association and to designate the meeting place of the association. The Chairperson shall ensure that all activities of the Association are carried out in accordance with these Bylaws and with the rules of order to be adopted by the Association. Act as the official spokesperson for the association. And encourage all elected officers to perform their respective duties.

##### VICE CHAIRPERSON -

The duties and responsibilities of the Vice Chairperson is to preside over meetings in the absence of the Chairperson.

##### SECRETARY -

The Secretary shall keep current the correspondence of the Association, maintain accurate and complete minutes of all official meetings and mail a copy of said minutes to each member in good standing. The secretary will prepare news articles of events and advertisements of meetings and submit to the local newspaper(s).

##### TREASURER -

The Treasurer shall keep accurate account of all funds, receipts and disbursements of funds of the Association. Properly collect and record all membership dues. Submit a financial report that includes income, expenses and balance of funds on hand at each regular meeting.

### **ARTICLE VIII - REMOVAL**

Any officer of the Association may be removed from office at any time, with just cause, including continued neglect of his or her duties, three (3) unexplained/unexcused absences, or conduct which is derogatory to the best interest of the Association upon a vote in favor of not less that majority of the membership.

### **ARTICLE IX - MEETINGS OF ASSOCIATION**

Regular meetings of the Association shall be convened on the last Thursday of each month. Public notice of each meetings will be made five days prior to the date of the meeting. The location of the meeting shall be determined by the Chairperson and provided in the public notice. All meetings shall be open to the public.

### **ARTICLE X - QUORUM**

Nine members of the Association including two officers shall constitute a quorum. A quorum must be present for the transaction of any Association business.

### **ARTICLE XI - RULES OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

The Association shall adopt Roberts Rules of Order to conduct the meetings of the Association.

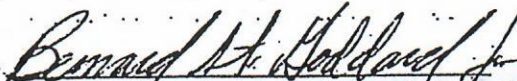
### **ARTICLE XII - SUSPENSION AND AMENDMENTS**

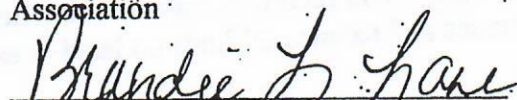
These Bylaws, including separate Articles contained within, may be amended or suspended by the majority of the quorum of the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association members.

### **ARTICLE XIII - FINANCIAL OBLIGATION OF ASSOCIATION**

No member or officer, or any group shall be empowered to incur any indebtedness for or on behalf of the association. The Officers, at their meetings shall, by resolution, authorize the expenditure of moneys necessary for the operation of the association.

We, the membership of the Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers Association, have reviewed, discussed and approved these By-Laws at a duly scheduled meeting held on the 3rd day of February, 2000,

  
Chairperson, Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers  
Association

  
Secretary, Blackfeet Nation Stock Growers  
Association