

## MANDAN, HIDATSA & ARIKARA NATION

Three Affiliated Tribes \* Fort Berthold Indian Reservation 404 Frontage Road New Town, ND 58763 Tribal Business Council

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## HOUSE BILL 1014 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS- GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE MARCH 1, 2023

## TESTIMONY OF MARK N. FOX, CHAIRMAN MANDAN, HIDATSA AND ARIKARA NATION

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, my name is Mark Fox, I am the Chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (MHA Nation). The MHA Nation supports the amended House Bill 1014 that would add \$22 million for the next phase of salt cavern development.

The MHA Nation practices responsible oil and gas development and the storage of NGLs in salt caverns creates the opportunity for hydrocarbon storage and advances the protection of the environment in oil and gas production.

Mr. Chairman, we urge a do pass of House Bill 1014. Thank you.