

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS
101 Industrial Road
Choctaw, MS 39350

ORDINANCE NO. 16-DDDDD

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS CODE AS TITLE
XXXV, CHAPTER 2 OF THE CHOCTAW TRIBAL CODE

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (j) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to create, or to provide by ordinance for the creation of organizations, including public and private corporations, for any lawful purpose, which may be non-profit or profit-making, and to regulate the activities of such organizations by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has the inherent authority as sovereign, federally-recognized Indian tribe to create, authorize, and regulate corporate entities doing business within the jurisdiction of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has a primary interest in exercising its inherent sovereign authority to provide a statutory framework which will make it possible for the Tribe to establish non-profit corporations which are eligible for tax-exempt status under 26 U.S.C § 501(c)(3); and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee has reviewed this Ordinance and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

ENACTED, that the Tribal Council does hereby adopt the attached Non-Profit Corporations Code as Chapter 2 of Title XXXV of the Choctaw Tribal Code; and be it further

ENACTED, that the attached Non-Profit Corporations Code shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Tribal Council; and be it further

ENACTED, that the Tribe’s Office of the Attorney General shall ensure that the tribal website has been updated to reflect these statutory changes.

CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Ordinance was duly Enacted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS
101 Industrial Road
Choctaw, MS 39350

ORDINANCE NO. 16-EEEE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §3-6-6 AND §3-6-7 OF THE CHOCTAW TRIBAL CODE
TITLE III, *CRIMINAL OFFENSES*

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (k) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI" or the "Tribe") empowers the Tribal Council to promote and protect the health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (m) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to establish and enforce ordinances governing the conduct of tribal members; providing for the maintenance of law, order, and the administration of justice; regulating wholesale, retail, commercial, or industrial activities on tribal lands; establishing a tribal court; and defining the powers and duties of that court; subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior where such approval is required by Federal law; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (p) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to pass any ordinances and resolutions necessary or incidental to the exercise of any of the foregoing powers and duties; and

WHEREAS, Title III of the Choctaw Tribal Code, sets out the criminal offenses and provisions relating to criminal sentencing and punishment; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is making a continuing effort to update the Choctaw Tribal Code to reflect the current conditions on the Choctaw Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (7 U.S.C. § 1639 *et seq.*) legalizes the production of hemp that has a tetrahydrocannabinol ("THC", the psychoactive component of marijuana) concentration of no more than three-tenths of one percent (0.3%) by removing it from Schedule I of the Controlled Substance Act; and

WHEREAS, Title III, Criminal Offenses, requires amendment to allow for the production of hemp on MBCI tribal lands in conformance with 7 CFR Part 990 and any MBCI tribal hemp production plan approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture thereunder; and

WHEREAS, specific revisions are proposed for §3-6-6, *Marijuana – Simple Possession*, and §3-6-7, *Marijuana – Sale, Manufacture & Possession Over 1 Ounce*; and

WHEREAS, the Judicial Affairs and Law & Order Committee has reviewed this Ordinance and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

ENACTED, that the Tribal Council does hereby amend §3-6-6 as follows:

§3-6-6 Marijuana – Simple Possession

Any person who shall have possession of one ounce or less of or use any Marijuana or any mixture or compound thereof or any cigarettes, cigars or other commodities intended for smoking in which there is a mixture containing one ounce or less of Marijuana or any mixture or compound thereof is guilty of the offense of simple possession of marijuana under this section.

The offense of simple possession of marijuana is a Class B offense.

For the purposes of this Section, “Marijuana” means all parts of the plant *Cannabis*, including any and all varieties, species and subspecies of the genus *Cannabis*, whether growing or not, the seeds thereof and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of the plant or its seeds. It does not include “Hemp”, meaning the plant *Cannabis sativa* L. and any part of that plant, including the seeds thereof and all derivatives, extracts, cannabinoids, isomers, acids, salts, and salts of isomers, whether growing or not, with a tetrahydrocannabinol (“THC”) concentration of not more than three-tenths of one percent (0.3%) on a dry weight basis.

And be it further,

ENACTED, that the Tribal Council does hereby amend §3-6-7 as follows:

§3-6-7 Marijuana – Sale, Manufacture & Possession Over 1 Ounce

Any person who shall plant, grow, cultivate, keep for sale, sell, barter, give or have possession of more than one ounce of Marijuana or any mixture or compound thereof or any cigarettes, cigars or other commodities intended for smoking in which there is a mixture containing more than one ounce of Marijuana or any mixture or compound thereof is guilty of an offense under this section.

Violation of this section is a Class A offense.

For the purposes of this Section, “Marijuana” means all parts of the plant *Cannabis*, including any and all varieties, species and subspecies of the genus *Cannabis*, whether growing or not, the seeds thereof and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of the plant or its seeds. It does not include “Hemp”, meaning the plant *Cannabis sativa* L. and any part of that plant, including the seeds thereof and all derivatives, extracts, cannabinoids, isomers, acids, salts, and salts of isomers, whether growing or not, with a tetrahydrocannabinol (“THC”) concentration of not more than three-tenths of one percent (0.3%) on a dry weight basis.

And be it further,

ENACTED, that these amendments shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Tribal Council; and be it further

ENACTED, that the Tribe's Office of the Attorney General shall ensure that the tribal website has been updated to reflect these statutory changes.

CERTIFICATION

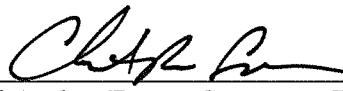
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Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS
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ORDINANCE NO. 16-GGGGG

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §3-3-20 AND §3-6-28, §3-6-29, §3-6-30 OF THE CHOCTAW
TRIBAL CODE TITLE III, *CRIMINAL OFFENSES*

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (k) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to promote and protect the health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (m) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to establish and enforce ordinances governing the conduct of tribal members; providing for the maintenance of law, order, and the administration of justice; regulating wholesale, retail, commercial, or industrial activities on tribal lands; establishing a tribal court; and defining the powers and duties of that court; subject of the approval of the Secretary of the Interior where such approval is required by Federal law; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (p) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to pass any ordinances and resolutions necessary or incidental to the exercise of any of the foregoing powers and duties; and

WHEREAS, Title III (3) of the Choctaw Tribal Code, sets out the criminal offenses and provisions relating to criminal sentencing and punishment; and

WHEREAS, §3-3-20, *Use of Telephone to Terrify, Intimidate, Threaten, Harass, or Annoy or Offend*, requires amendment for the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, §3-6-28, *Possession and Distribution of Tobacco Products*, §3-6-29, *Presenting False Evidence of Age or Identity for Tobacco Products*, and §3-6-30, *Distribution of Tobacco Products as Free Samples Prohibited*, requires amendment for the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, §3-3-20 shall be known as *Use of Telecommunications or Electronic Communications to Terrify, Intimidate, Threaten, Harass, Annoy or Offend*; §3-6-28 shall be known as *Possession and Distribution of Tobacco Products and Alternative Tobacco Products to Minors*; §3-6-29 shall be known as *Presenting False Evidence of Age or Identity for Tobacco Products and Alternative Tobacco Products*; and §3-6-30 shall be known as *Distribution of Tobacco or Alternative Tobacco Products as Free Samples Prohibited*, to reflect the amendments in each of these sections; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is making a continuing effort to update the *Choctaw Tribal Code* to reflect the current conditions on the Choctaw Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Judicial Affairs and Law & Order Committee has reviewed this Ordinance and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

ENACTED, that the Tribal Council does hereby amend Title III, Criminal Offenses to reflect the changes listed on Exhibit "A"; and be it further

ENACTED, that the Office of the Attorney General shall ensure that the Tribal website has been updated to reflect these statutory changes; and be it further

ENACTED, that these amendments shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Tribal Council.

CERTIFICATION

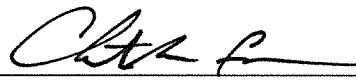
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Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS
101 Industrial Road
Choctaw, MS 39350

ORDINANCE NO. 16-HHHHH

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHOCTAW TRIBAL CODE TITLE XI, *CHOCTAW YOUTH CODE* AND TO AMEND TITLE IX, *CHOCTAW DOMESTIC RELATIONS CODE*

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (k) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to promote and protect the health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (m) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to establish and enforce ordinances governing the conduct of tribal members; providing for the maintenance of law, order, and the administration of justice; regulating wholesale, retail, commercial, or industrial activities on tribal lands; establishing a tribal court; and defining the powers and duties of that court; subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior where such approval is required by Federal law; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (p) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to pass any ordinances and resolutions necessary or incidental to the exercise of any of the foregoing powers and duties; and

WHEREAS, Title XI (11) of the Choctaw Tribal Code, sets out the Choctaw Youth Code, and Title IX (9) sets out the Choctaw Domestic Relations Code; and

WHEREAS, Title XI, the Choctaw Youth Code, requires amendment to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public on the reservation, particularly the welfare of the Tribe’s children and for the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, Title IX, the Choctaw Domestic Relations Code, also requires amendment for the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is making a continuing effort to update the *Choctaw Tribal Code* to reflect the current conditions on the Choctaw Indian Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Judicial Affairs and Law & Order Committee has reviewed this Ordinance and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

ENACTED, that the Tribal Council does hereby amend Title XI, the Choctaw Youth Code, and Title IX, the Choctaw Domestic Relations Code of the Choctaw Tribal Code; and be it further,

ENACTED, that the Office of the Attorney General shall ensure that the Tribal website has been updated to reflect these statutory changes; and be it further

ENACTED, that these amendments shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Tribal Council.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Ordinance was duly Enacted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-001(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BLOOD DECREASE FOR PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED
TRIBAL MEMBERS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Title XXII of the Tribal Code, enacted through Tribal Ordinance No. 16-RRR, enacted February 20, 2003, a person may submit an application for change in blood quantum calculation based upon new or additional information about paternity or maternity; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Enrollment Officer or Tribal Enrollment Committee may make changes in blood quantum for any member based upon additional knowledge; and

WHEREAS, a decrease in blood degree for five (5) tribal members has been recommended for approval by the Tribal Enrollment Committee, said changes being outlined on the Attachment beginning with E. Joe and ending with S. Phillips; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the attached decrease in blood degree for five (5) Tribal members.

CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Gen, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-002(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BLOOD INCREASE FOR PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED
TRIBAL MEMBERS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Title XXII of the Tribal Code, enacted through Tribal Ordinance No. 16-RRR, on February 20, 2003, a person may submit an application for change in blood quantum calculation based upon new or additional information about paternity or maternity; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Enrollment Officer or Tribal Enrollment Committee may make changes in blood quantum and/or name change for any members based upon additional knowledge; and

WHEREAS, an increase in blood degree for seven (7) Tribal members has been recommended for approval by the Tribal Enrollment Committee, said changes being outlined on the Attachment beginning with K. Bell and ending with L. Willis; now therefore it

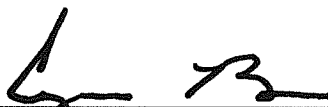
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the attached increase in blood degree for seven (7) Tribal members.

CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-003(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TRIBAL ENROLLMENTS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Title XXII of the Tribal Code, enacted through Tribal Ordinance No. 16-RRR on February 20, 2003, after applications for Tribal enrollment are recommended by the Tribal Enrollment Committee, "Each enrollment in the tribe shall be approved by resolution of the Tribal Council. Each such resolution may contain one or more enrollments"; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal enrollment applicants on the attached list have been recommended for approval by the Tribal Enrollment Committee; and

WHEREAS, with the adoption of this Resolution, there will be 11,019 enrolled Tribal members; now therefore be it

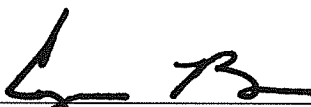
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby enroll the attached list of 49 persons beginning with the name A. Bell and ending G. Young in the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians and does hereby direct that roll numbers be assigned.

CERTIFICATION

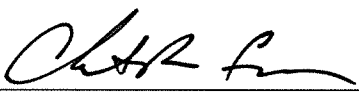
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Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-004

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A COMMERCIAL LAND ASSIGNMENT BETWEEN THE
MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS D/B/A CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER
ENTERPRISE AND OFF THE SQUARE NUTRITION

WHEREAS, Tribal Ordinance 56 is the law governing Tribal Enterprises that are established under the Business Enterprise Division of the Tribal Government Executive Branch of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or “Tribe”); and

WHEREAS, Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise (“CSCE” or “Enterprise”) is a duly established Ordinance 56 Enterprise under the Business Enterprise Division of the Tribal Government Executive Branch, having been an on-going business concern when Ordinance 56 was adopted on November 20, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Article VIII, Sec. 1(i) empowers the Tribal Council to make and revoke assignments of tribal lands under Ordinance No. 16-RRRR which authorizes and sets forth the process for approval of commercial land assignments in existing tribal facilities; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to execute the proposed Commercial Land Assignment (“CLA”) to Off the Square Nutrition (“Assignee”) as authorized by Ordinance No. 16-RRRR, which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A,” that will authorize the Assignee to operate a nutritional tea business within the Town Center in the Pearl River Community; and

WHEREAS, the Commercial Land Assignment Agreement has been reviewed by the Board of the Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it


RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians does hereby authorize the execution of the Commercial Land Assignment with Off the Square Nutrition and authorizes the Chairman of the Board and the Secretary-Treasurer to execute the Commercial Land Assignment in substantially the same form as is attached hereto.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-005

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2020-2021 WILDLIFE PROCLAMATION TO
REGULATE HUNTING AND FISHING ON TRIBAL LANDS

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (k) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to promote and protect the health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, certain hunting, fishing and outdoor recreational activities have been found by the Tribal Council to be detrimental to the conservation and protection of wildlife and to the environment of the Choctaw Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Tribal Code, as Adopted on August 14, 1981, and amended thereafter, is the body of law governing all civil actions arising within the Tribe’s jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, this proclamation is issued annually to regulate activities covered by Choctaw Tribal Code Title X, the Hunting and Fishing Code; and

WHEREAS, prior Resolutions were Adopted to promulgate annual Wildlife Proclamations and there is a need to adopt a Wildlife Proclamation for FY 2021, including a schedule of permit hunting and fishing permit fees and fees for Lake Pushmataha, as well as penalties and fines for violations; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the attached Wildlife Proclamation for the 2020-2021 season; and be it further

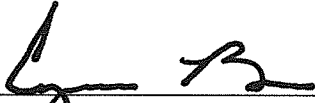
RESOLVED, that the schedule of hunting and fishing permit fees, daily and annual permit fees for Lake Pushmataha, and penalties and fines are effective immediately upon passage of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

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Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Den, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-006

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHOCTAW
CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BEGINNING WITH THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (k) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to promote and protect the health, peace, morals, education, and general welfare of the Tribe and its members; and

WHEREAS, Choctaw Tribal Schools’ (“CTS”) Parent & Student Handbooks are approved annually by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2021 Parent and Student Handbooks were approved on July 14, 2020, outlining graduation requirements for Choctaw Central High School in Section C. *Instructional Program, Graduation*; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Department of Education (“MDE”) allows school districts to provide a Mississippi High School Graduation Pathways District Option to graduate from high school with 21 high school units; and

WHEREAS, the MDE pathway/option allows a high school student the opportunity to graduate with 21 credits; and

WHEREAS, the MDE district option to graduate with 21 credits will end at the end of the 2020-2021 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Schools would like to invoke this graduation option for students who could graduate, beginning this school year, if they complete the required courses (21 units) outlined in the District Pathway Option, along with the additional Tribal-specific graduation requirements of earning a half (.5) credit for Choctaw History; and

WHEREAS, this policy change does not amend any other policy regarding graduation for CTS students; and

WHEREAS, the Education Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize a change of the graduation requirements beginning for the 2020-21 school year for Choctaw Central High School and continuing in perpetuity unless changed by this governing body.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of


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Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-007

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT, IF AWARDED, FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR DEMONSTRATION GRANTS FOR INDIAN CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State, or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Education (“DOE”), Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, is seeking applications from Federally-recognized tribes for new FY 2020 grant funding under Indian Education Discretionary Grant Programs – Demonstration Grants for Indian Children and Youth Program (the “Grant”); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Grant is to support projects to develop, test, and demonstrate the effectiveness of services and programs to improve education opportunities and achievement of Indian children and youth; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has successfully operated its Choctaw Tribal Schools since 1989, as a BIE-funded grant school system under PL 100-297, the Indian Controlled Schools Act; and

WHEREAS, MBCI’s Division of Schools (“DOS”) proposes a project to plan for and expand educational choice that meets the needs of Choctaw students and enables them and their parents to choose education services by selecting the specific service and provider desired; and

WHEREAS, many jobs requiring high-level technical skills related to science, technology, engineering and math are available to well-trained Tribal members both on- and off-Reservation in jobs, such as civil engineering, environmental protection, wildlife management, healthcare, skilled nursing, culinary arts, hotel and restaurant management, automotive technology, accounting technology, medical records, marketing management, office systems technology, construction trades, computer technology, and administrative assistantship training, as measured by a 2018 Regional Labor Market Survey and letters of support from area employers; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Schools has planned a career and technical education program that creates additional choices focusing on STEM, science, technology, engineering and math, for Choctaw students in close collaboration with area community colleges which seeks to align student interest and expanded choices with identified MBCI Economic Development plan needs; and

WHEREAS, the newly expanding Choctaw Vocational Education and Technology Program (“CVET”) seeks to build upon current educational and training successes and to expand into newly-identified industry needs to better prepare more young Tribal members for workplace readiness and ability to pursue more high-tech jobs both on- and off-Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the CFDA number for the FY 2020 Demonstration grant program is 84.299A; and

WHEREAS, this proposal requests funding in the amount of \$5,869,258 for the five-year grant period for CVET; and

WHEREAS, the first year of this grant will be a planning phase, and funding for the remaining four years of the term is contingent upon the Tribe's plan being approved; and

WHEREAS, this Federal grant opportunity does not require any cost sharing or non-Federal, Tribal matching; and

WHEREAS, the Education Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribe's grant application is made with the following stipulations:

- 1) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") is a Federally-recognized Indian tribe and pursuant to Federal law, will only comply with those regulations that are specifically applicable to Indian Tribes; and
- 2) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") adheres to a publicly-announced policy of Indian preference in all employment related actions including recruitment, employment, reduction-in-force, promotion, training and transfer to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law; and
- 3) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") is exempt from making certification regarding or from filing Standard Form–LLL regarding lobbying per 31 U.S.C. Sec. 1352, 2 U.S.C. Sec. 1602, 40 CFR 34.105(1) and 40 CFR. 34.110, as to any such activity which may have been or may be undertaken by Tribal officials or Tribal employees or where such reporting is otherwise exempted under § 1352(d). The MBCI has not engaged any outside lobbyist to engage in any activity regarding this grant which would require reporting under any of the referenced statutes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief, or his designee, to accept if awarded and sign for available grant programs through the Demonstration Grants for Indian Children and Youth Program from the U.S. Department of Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief, or his designee, to sign additional documents, forms or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, termination, or extension of this grant, subject to the availability of funds through DOE, without further council action.

CERTIFICATION

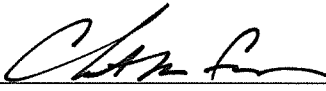
I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-008

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FISCAL YEAR 2021 HEAD START CONTINUATION APPLICATION REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State, or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and the Department of Early Childhood Education Policy Council are the duly authorized policy making bodies for all Early Head Start and Head Start programs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families has announced continuation of financial assistance programs that provide child and family development services for low income children and their families; and

WHEREAS, the main goals of the Department of Early Childhood Education is: (1) to provide early, continuous, intensive and comprehensive child development services; (2) provide family support services on a year-round basis to low income families with children zero to five years of age; and (3) enhance children’s physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Early Childhood Education Policy Council has determined there is a significant number of children and families eligible for this assistance; and

WHEREAS, this Federal grant opportunity does require a 20% Non-Federal match, Tribal matching funds in the amount of \$623,445; and

WHEREAS, the CFDA number for the grant opportunity is 93.000; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Early Childhood Education Policy Council and the Education Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribe’s grant application for the Department of Early Childhood Education is made with the following stipulations:

- 1) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) is a Federally-recognized Indian Tribe and pursuant to Federal law, will only comply with those regulations that are specifically applicable to Indian Tribes; and
- 2) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) adheres to publicly-announced policy of Indian preference in all employment related actions including recruitment, employment, reduction-in-force, promotion, training and transfer to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law; and

- 3) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) is exempt from making certification regarding or from filing Standard Form-LLL regarding lobbying per 31 U.S.C. Sec. 1352, 2 U.S.C. Sec. 1602, 40 CFR 34.105(1) and 40 CFR 34.110, as to any such activity which may have been or may be undertaken by Tribal officials or Tribal employees or where such reporting is otherwise exempted under §1352(d). The MBCI has not engaged any outside lobbyist to engage in any activity regarding this grant which would require reporting under any of the referenced statutes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to apply for the Head Start and Early Head Start continuation grant and renew subsequent applications upon the availability of grant funds from the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration of Children and Families, Office of Head Start; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the awarding of, continuance, amendment or supplemental of the Head Start and Early Head Start continuation grant, without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Gen, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-009

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REVISIONS TO CHOCTAW GAMING COMMISSION
REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, Section 15-1-27 of the Tribal Code empowers the Choctaw Gaming Commission to adopt, amend or repeal regulations consistent with Title XV as it may deem necessary or desirable, subject to review and approval by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Gaming Commission deems it necessary to amend certain provisions of Chapters 1, 3, 6, and 10 of its Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Gaming Commission has approved the attached proposed revisions to Chapters 1, 3, 6, and 10 of the Choctaw Gaming Commission Regulations and recommends their approval by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Judicial Affairs and Law & Order Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the attached revisions to Chapters 1, 3, 6, and 10 of the Choctaw Gaming Commission Regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Chapters 1, 3, 6, and 10 of the Choctaw Gaming Commission Regulations in the form attached hereto shall become effective upon Tribal Council passage.

CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-010

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO TITLE XV OF THE TRIBAL CODE
AND REVISIONS TO CHOCTAW GAMING COMMISSION REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (c) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to establish procedures for the conduct of all tribal government and business operations; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (o) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of MBCI empowers the Tribal Council to establish policies relating to tribal economic affairs; and

WHEREAS, Section 15-1-21 of the Tribal Code empowers the Choctaw Gaming Commission to propose amendments to Title XV of the Tribal Code, subject to review and approval by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 15-1-27 of the Tribal Code empowers the Choctaw Gaming Commission to adopt, amend or repeal regulations consistent with Title XV as it may deem necessary or desirable, subject to review and approval by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Gaming Commission deems it necessary to propose amendments to Title XV of the Tribal Code and amend certain provisions of Chapter 2 of its Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Gaming Commission has approved the attached proposed amendments to Title XV of the Tribal Code and revisions to Chapter 2 of the Choctaw Gaming Commission Regulations and recommends their approval by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Judicial Affairs and Law & Order Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended for approval by the Tribal Council; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the attached amendments to Title XV of the Tribal Code and the attached revisions to Chapter 2 of the Choctaw Gaming Commission Regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Title XV in the form attached hereto shall become effective upon National Indian Gaming Commission Chair approval and that Chapter 2 of the Choctaw Gaming Commission Regulations in the form attached hereto shall become effective upon Tribal Council passage.

CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-011(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR A ROAD IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT IN THE PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (b) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to approve or disapprove any sale, disposition, lease or encumbrance of tribal lands, interests in land, tribal funds, or other tribal assets; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration has made funding available to the Tribe through the Tribal Transportation Program to make improvements to BIA Route 2242 (“Industrial Drive”) and BIA Route 0222 (“Industrial Road”) in the Pearl River Community; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe has agreed to provide the planning, design, and construction services required to accomplish the desired road improvement project through Pub. L. 93-638 Contract No. A17AV00938, as executed with the Bureau of Indian Affairs on September 18, 2017; and

WHEREAS, prior to commencement of federally-funded road construction activities, federal regulations require that the Tribe establish an official and documented right-of-way for the subject roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined it is in the best interest of the Tribe for the Bureau of Indian Affairs to grant a right-of-way of perpetual duration over and across the land described in the Right of Way Application attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, there will be no payment to the Tribe because the desired improvements are being constructed at the request and for the benefit of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that the negotiated compensation of \$0.00 is satisfactory to the Tribe and it is therefore in the best interest of the Tribe to waive valuation pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 169.110(a); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined it is in the best interest of the Tribe to waive the requirement for bond pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 169.103 since the desired improvements are being constructed at the request and for the benefit of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Natural Resources Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby consents to a Grant of Right-of-Way by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for a road improvement project on BIA Route 2242 (“Industrial Drive”) and BIA Route 0222 (“Industrial Road”), over and across land which is held by the United States of

America in trust for the benefit of the Tribe and is more particularly described in the Right-of-Way Application attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes a perpetual Grant of Right-of-Way duration as outlined in the Right of Way Application attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby waives valuation and the requirement for bond regarding the land described in the Right-of-Way Application attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, or extension of this right-of-way without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Den, Tribal Chief

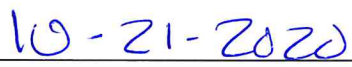


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-012(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A RIGHT-OF-WAY IN FAVOR OF CENTRAL ELECTRIC
POWER ASSOCIATION IN THE PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (B) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to approve or disapprove any sale, disposition, lease or encumbrance of tribal lands, interests in land, tribal funds, or other tribal assets; and

WHEREAS, Central Electric Power Association has submitted the attached Right-of-Way Application for a power line servicing privately-owned land on County Road 149 adjacent to the Pearl River Community, over and across land which is owned United States of America in trust for the benefit of the Tribe and is more particularly described as follows:

A strip of land for a power line approximately 55 feet in length and 40 feet in width existing 20 feet either side of the centerline of the power line, with said power line existing in the Northeast ¼ of Section 28, Township 11 North, Range 10 East, Neshoba County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the above-described right-of-way is limited to the area shown and delineated on the plat/diagram marked “Exhibit A” of the attached Right-of-Way Application; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined it is in the best interest of the Tribe for the Choctaw Agency Superintendent to grant the above-described right-of-way for a perpetual term so long as the above-described right-of-way is used for the intended purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that the negotiated compensation of \$0.00 is satisfactory to the Tribe and it is therefore in the best interest of the Tribe to waive valuation pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 169.110; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Tribe to waive the requirement for bond pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 169.103; and

WHEREAS, Central Electric Power Association is the lead agency responsible for ensuring compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4321-4347); and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Natural Resources Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby consents to a grant of the above-described right-of-way by the Bureau of Indian Affairs to Central Electric Power Association for a power line servicing privately-owned land on County Road 149 adjacent to the Pearl River Community; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby requests that the Choctaw Agency Superintendent grant the above-described right-of-way for a perpetual term so long as the above-described right-of-way is used for the intended purpose; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby waives valuation and the requirement for bond regarding the above-described right-of-way; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council authorizes the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, or extension of the above-described right-of-way without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:




Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency

10-21-2020

Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 21-013

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS TO APPLY FOR A VOTER REGISTRATION AND MOBILIZATION GRANT FROM THE SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER AND THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR GREATER ATLANTA

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI" or the "Tribe") empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State, or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Poverty Law Center and the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta has made funds available through its Vote Your Voice Initiative Grant, which aims to address the need to register and mobilize voters from historically underrepresented populations Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds will assist the Tribe in developing strategies, materials, and methods to increase the number of MBCI tribal members who vote; and

WHEREAS, the attached proposal is for four months with the possibility of a one year extension; and

WHEREAS, this private foundation grant funding does not require any tribal cost sharing or matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Lobbyist, Public Relations & Politics Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribe's grant application for the Vote Your Voice Initiative Grant is made with the following stipulations:

- 1) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") is a Federally-recognized Indian tribe and pursuant to Federal law, will only comply with those regulations that are specifically applicable to Indian Tribes.
- 2) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") adheres to publicly-announced policy of Indian preference in all employment related actions including recruitment, employment, reduction-in-force, promotion, training and transfer to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law.
- 3) The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") is exempt from making certification regarding or from filing Standard Form-LLL regarding lobbying per 31 U.S.C. Sec. 1352, 2 U.S.C. Sec. 1602, 40 CFR 34.105(1) and 40 CFR 34.1 IO, as to any such activity which may have been or may be undertaken by Tribal officials or

Tribal employees or where such reporting is otherwise exempted under §1352(d). The MBCI has not engaged any outside lobbyist to engage in any activity regarding this grant which would require reporting under any of the referenced statutes.

And be it further;

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to apply for the Vote Your Voice Initiative Grant and renew subsequent applications upon the availability of project funds from the Southern Poverty Law Center and Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, or extension of the Vote Your Voice Initiative Grant award without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION


I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 12 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 13th day of October, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 12 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2020.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer