

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

ORDINANCE NO. 24-003

AN ORDINANCE TO ISSUE A CHARTER OF INCORPORATION TO OKLAHIKBIH, INC.

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) is a sovereign, federally recognized Indian Tribe with inherent authority to create, authorize and regulate corporate entities doing business within the jurisdiction of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (j) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of 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, on December 19, 2001, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 59, which granted a charter establishing Applied Geo Technologies, Inc. as a business entity wholly owned by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2004, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 63, which granted a charter establishing IKBI, Inc. as a business entity wholly owned by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2008, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 65, which granted a charter establishing Choctaw Ikhana Laboratory Services, Inc. as a business entity wholly owned by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2009, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance Nos. 67 and 68, which granted charters establishing Choctaw Design & Construction, Inc. (now known as “Chahta Services, Inc.”) and United Tribal Services, Inc. as business entities wholly owned by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2009, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance Nos. 69 and 70, which issued charters establishing Choctaw Native Constructors, Inc. and Choctaw Electrical, Inc. (now known as “Chahta Construction, Inc.”) as business entities wholly owned by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2009, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 66, which issued a charter establishing Choctaw Construction Group, Inc. (now known as “Chahta Holding Group, Inc.”) as a business entity wholly owned by the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2009, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 66-B, which made Chahta Holding Group, Inc. the sole shareholder of Applied Geo Technologies, Inc., IKBI, Inc., Choctaw Ikhana Laboratory Services, Inc., Chahta Services, Inc., United Tribal Services, Inc., Choctaw Native Constructors, Inc., and Chahta Construction, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2023, the Board of Directors of Chahta Holding Group, Inc. adopted Resolution CHG 2024-001, which recommended that the Tribal Council create a new subsidiary corporation of Chahta Holding Group, Inc. known as "OKLAHIKBIH, Inc."; now therefore be it

ENACTED, that the Tribal Council does hereby issue the Charter of Incorporation attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to OKLAHIKBIH, Inc., a Tribally-owned, Tribally-chartered corporation; and be it further

ENACTED, that the Charter of Incorporation attached hereto as Exhibit "A" shall become effective upon enactment of this Ordinance 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Ordinance was duly Enacted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

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

ORDINANCE NO. 24-004

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CRIMINAL CODE SECTIONS §3-6-6, §3-6-7, AND §3-6-8

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (m) 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 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, on July 14, 1980, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16, which established Titles I through XII of the Choctaw Tribal Code; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2000, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-MMM, which replaced Title III of the Choctaw Tribal Code (“Criminal Code”) in its entirety; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has subsequently amended the Criminal Code through enactment of Ordinance Nos. 16-PPP, 16-SSS, 16-YYY, 16-ZZZ, 16-PPPP, 16-IIII, 16-JJJJ, 16-KKKK, 16-SSSS, 16-TTTT, 16-WWWW, 16-ZZZZ, 16-EEEE, 16-GGGGG, 16-MMMMM, 16-NNNNN, 16-OOOOO, 16-PPPPP, 16-QQQQQ; and 24-002; and

WHEREAS, amendments to Criminal Code Sections §3-6-6, §3-6-7, and §3-6-8 are necessary to accommodate medical cannabis that is lawful for cardholders with valid Mississippi cannabis registry identification cards issued under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act; and

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

ENACTED, that the Tribal Council does hereby amend Criminal Code Sections §3-6-6, §3-6-7, and §3-6-8 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. The term 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.

This section does not apply to Mississippi cannabis registry identification cardholders whose possession of medical cannabis does not exceed the allowable amount authorized under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act.

§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. The term 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.

This section does not apply to Mississippi cannabis registry identification cardholders whose possession of medical cannabis does not exceed the allowable amount authorized under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act."

§3-6-8 Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs; Possessing/Selling of Drug Paraphernalia

- (1) It is a Class A offense for any person who without lawful authority knowingly possess, sell, trade, transport, give away, use or manufacture any of the following:
 - (a) any opium, cocaine, coca leaves, morphine, codeine, heroin or any derivative thereof;
 - (b) any drugs known as hallucinogens, psychotomimetics, desleptics or psychedelics including lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD), mescaline, psilocybin, dimethyltryptamine (DMT) and methydimethoxy methyl-phenyl-ethylamine (STP);
 - (c) any drug scheduled as a “controlled substance” under the provisions of Title 21, Chapter 13 of the United State Code as amended to the date of the offense; or
 - (d) any of the following narcotic drugs, whether produced directly or indirectly by extraction from substances of vegetable origin or independently by means of chemical synthesis or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis:
 - (i) opium and opiate and any salt, compound, derivative or preparation of opium or opiate;
 - (ii) any salt, compound, isomer, derivative or preparation that is a chemical equivalent of any of the substances referred to in Paragraph (1) of this subsection, except the isoquinoline alkaloids of opium;
 - (iii) opium poppy and poppy straw, including all parts of the plant of the species *Papaver somniferum* L. except its seeds;
 - (iv) coca leaves and any salt, compound, derivative or preparation of coca leaves, any salt, compound, isomer, derivative or preparation that is a chemical equivalent of any of these substances except decocainized coca leaves or extractions of coca leaves that do not contain cocaine or ecgonine; or
 - (v) synthetic cannabinoids.

- (2) It is Class C offense for any person without lawful authority to knowingly possess, sell, trade, transport, give away, use or manufacture drug paraphernalia to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, conceal, inject, ingest, inhale or otherwise introduce into the human body marijuana or any drug scheduled as a “controlled substance” under the provisions of Title 21, Chapter 13 of the United States Code as amended to the date of the offense. In determining whether an object is drug paraphernalia, the Court shall consider, in addition to all other logically relevant factors, the following:
- (a) statements by an owner or by anyone in control of the object concerning its use;
 - (b) prior convictions, if any of an owner, or of anyone in control of the object, under any state, tribal, or federal law relating to marijuana or any controlled substance;
 - (c) the proximity of the object, in time and space, to conduct that is a direct violation of this Chapter;
 - (d) the proximity of the object to marijuana or a controlled substance;
 - (e) the existence of any residue of marijuana or a controlled substance on the object;
 - (f) direct or circumstantial evidence of the intent of an owner, or of anyone in control of the object, to deliver it to persons whom he knows, or should reasonably know, intend to use the object to facilitate conduct in violation of this Chapter;
 - (g) the existence and scope of legitimate uses for the object in the community; and
 - (h) expert testimony concerning the object’s use.

A second or subsequent conviction of selling/possessing drug paraphernalia within five (5) years shall be a Class B offense.

- (3) This section does not apply to the nondrug use of peyote and mescaline in the bona fide religious ceremonies of the Native American Church.

This section does not apply to Mississippi cannabis registry identification cardholders whose possession of medical cannabis

does not exceed the allowable amount authorized under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act.

And be it further

ENACTED, that the foregoing amendments to the Criminal Code shall take effect on February 12, 2024 upon enactment of this Ordinance 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Ordinance was duly Enacted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-024(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN ABSOLUTE RELINQUISHMENT OF MEMBERSHIP
IN THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article III of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to pass ordinances, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, governing future membership, loss of membership, and the adoption of new members; provided that no person of less than one-half degree of Choctaw blood shall be admitted to membership in the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 1995, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-NN, which established procedures for Tribal enrollment as Title XXII of the Choctaw Tribal Code (“Tribal Enrollment Code”); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the Tribal Enrollment Code through enactment of Ordinance Nos. 16-RRR and 16-JJJJ; and

WHEREAS, Section §22-4-1 of the Tribal Enrollment Code provides the parents of a MBCI Tribal member who has not reached the age of 18 may voluntarily relinquish their child’s MBCI Tribal membership provided that both the Tribal Enrollment Committee and the Tribal Council approve the relinquishment; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2023, the Tribal Enrollment Committee approved a request to absolutely relinquish the MBCI Tribal membership of the minor child identified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and recommended the same be forwarded to the Tribal Council for final approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve an absolute relinquishment of MBCI Tribal membership for the minor child identified in document attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the absolute relinquishment of MBCI Tribal membership for the minor child identified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A” shall be effective on the date this Resolution is adopted 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-025(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE INCREASES IN BLOOD DEGREE AND NAME
CHANGES FOR PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article III of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to pass ordinances, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, governing future membership, loss of membership, and the adoption of new members; provided that no person of less than one-half degree of Choctaw blood shall be admitted to membership in the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 1995, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-NN, which established procedures for Tribal enrollment as Title XXII of the Choctaw Tribal Code (“Tribal Enrollment Code”); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the Tribal Enrollment Code through enactment of Ordinance Nos. 16-RRR and 16-JJJJ; and

WHEREAS, Section §22-2-8 of the Tribal Enrollment Code provides that MBCI Tribal members may apply to increase their blood degree based on new or additional information about paternity or maternity; and

WHEREAS, Section §22-3-11 of the Tribal Enrollment Code provides that MBCI Tribal members may change their names as they appear in MBCI’s enrollment records by submitting certain documents; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Enrollment Committee is recommending that the Tribal Council approve increases in blood degree and name changes for four (4) MBCI Tribal members as specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve increases in blood degree and name changes for four (4) MBCI Tribal members as specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-026(B)

A RESOLUTION TO ENROLL TRIBAL MEMBERS

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article III of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to pass ordinances, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, governing future membership, loss of membership, and the adoption of new members; provided that no person of less than one-half degree of Choctaw blood shall be admitted to membership in the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 1995, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-NN, which established procedures for Tribal enrollment as Title XXII of the Choctaw Tribal Code (“Tribal Enrollment Code”); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the Tribal Enrollment Code through enactment of Ordinance Nos. 16-RRR and 16-JJJJ; and

WHEREAS, Sections §22-2-10 and §22-2-14 of the Tribal Enrollment Code provide that new MBCI Tribal members are to be enrolled by Tribal Council Resolution upon a recommendation by the Tribal Enrollment Committee that those new members meet the membership criteria set forth in Article III of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Enrollment Committee is recommending that the Tribal Council enroll 51 new MBCI Tribal members as specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, with the adoption of this Resolution, there will be 11,065 enrolled members of MBCI; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby enroll the 51 persons specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, beginning with the name L. Allen and ending with D. York; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the assignment of roll numbers to all 51 persons specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-027

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FY 2024 BUDGET FOR CHOCTAW RESIDENTIAL
CENTER ENTERPRISE

WHEREAS, Tribal Ordinance 56 provides for the continuation of ongoing Tribal enterprises under the Business Enterprise Division of the Tribal Government Executive Branch; and

WHEREAS, Section 13(a) of Ordinance 56 requires that Tribal Enterprises submit for approval annual operating budgets to the Tribal Chief and Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 13(b) of Ordinance 56 requires that Tribal Enterprises submit for approval capital budgets to the Tribal Chief and Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the enterprise manager of Choctaw Residential Center has prepared and submitted an Operating and Capital budget for FY 2024 beginning January 1, 2024, attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Residential Center Enterprise Board of Directors has reviewed and approved the attached budget for FY 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Residential Center Enterprise Board of Directors has approved a distribution to the Tribal Government General Fund for FY 2024 in the amount of \$750,000 on a date to be determined; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the attached FY 2024 budget for the Choctaw Residential Center Enterprise, including Operating Expenditures in the amount of \$10,084,773 and Capital Expenditures in the amount of \$598,380; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does authorize the Choctaw Residential Center Enterprise Board of Directors to move expenditures among approved line items when necessary; however, any increase to the capital budget or fixed cost amounts included in the operation budget must receive the prior approval of 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-028

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A COMMERCIAL LAND ASSIGNMENT BETWEEN THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS D/B/A CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER ENTERPRISE AND JERRY SWEET AND KAY KILE-TAYLOR D/B/A 1 FAMILY SERVICES IN INDIAN COUNTRY, LLC

WHEREAS, the 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, Section 1, Subsection (i) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to establish and enforce rules, consistent with applicable statutes and regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, for the management of tribal lands, including, but not limited to, the making and revocation of assignments, and the disposition of timber, oil, and mineral resources; and

WHEREAS, 25 CFR §84.004(e) provides that agreements that encumber Tribal lands for less than seven years do not require Bureau of Indian Affairs approval; and

WHEREAS, on July 31, 1986, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 32, which granted a charter establishing Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise ("Enterprise"); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council reorganized the Enterprise through enactment of Ordinance No. 56; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2000, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 00-168(B), which designated the Choctaw Town Center for use by the Enterprise; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2011, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-RRRR, which establishes procedures for agreements that assign space in Tribally owned facilities to commercial tenants ("Commercial Land Assignment Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council amended the Commercial Land Assignment Ordinance through adoption of Resolution CHO 11-085; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2023, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 23-056, which authorizes the contract under which 1 Family Services in Indian Country, LLC administers MBCI's child support enforcement and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families programs; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2023, the Enterprise Board adopted Resolution CSCE 24-001, which recommended that the Tribal Council approve the agreement to assign commercial space within

the Choctaw Town Center to Jerry Sweet and Kay Kile-Taylor d/b/a 1 Family Services in Indian Country, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise Board of Directors has reviewed the Commercial Land Assignment attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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 form of the Commercial Land Assignment for Jerry Sweet and Kay Kile-Taylor d/b/a 1 Family Services in Indian Country, LLC attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to execute the Commercial Land Assignment for Jerry Sweet and Kay Kile-Taylor d/b/a 1 Family Services in Indian Country, LLC attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to execute any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to implementation of the Commercial Land Assignment for Jerry Sweet and Kay Kile-Taylor d/b/a 1 Family Services in Indian Country, LLC attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-029

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS' DEPARTMENT OF CHAHTA IMMI
AND THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

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, on January 11, 2011, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 11-035, which redesignated MBCI's Cultural Preservation Program as the "Department of Chahta Immi"; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida has tapes of interviews with MBCI Tribal members in its collection and wants to collaborate with the Department of Chahta Immi during the process of digitizing and archiving those tapes; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding attached hereto as Exhibit "A" establishes the scope of the collaboration between the MBCI Department of Chahta Immi and the University of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Culture 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 Memorandum of Understanding between the MBCI Department of Chahta Immi and the University of Florida attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the MBCI Department of Chahta Immi and the University of Florida attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, or extension of the Memorandum of Understanding between the MBCI Department of Chahta Immi and the University of Florida attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of

January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-030

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS TO
APPLY FOR SPECIAL TRIBAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION REIMBURSEMENT
PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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, on August 20, 1982, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 111-82(B), which first authorized a self-determination contract to fund operation of a MBCI law enforcement services program (now known as “Choctaw Police Department”); and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 1984, the Tribal Council approved Resolution CHO 79-84(B) which first authorized a self-determination contract to fund operation of a Tribal court system (now known as the “Choctaw Tribal Courts”); and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 1994, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-AA, which established the MBCI Attorney General as the Tribe’s chief law enforcement prosecutorial office; and

WHEREAS, 25 U.S.C. §1304 sets forth the conditions under which Indian Tribes can criminally prosecute non-Indians for assault of Tribal justice personnel, child violence, dating violence, domestic violence, obstruction of justice, sexual violence, sex trafficking, stalking, and violations of protection orders; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2018, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 19-001, which amended MBCI’s Tribal Code to comply with the conditions for exercising Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction set forth in 25 U.S.C. §1304; and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2019, the Tribal Council adopted Resolutions CHO 19-101 and CHO 19-118, which amended MBCI’s Administrative Personnel Policy & Procedures to comply with the amended MBCI Tribal Code set forth in Resolution CHO 19-001 and delayed implementation of those amendments until February 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2019, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 20-019, which authorized a Jail Utilization Contract with Kemper County, Mississippi for housing non-Indian offenders within MBCI’s special Tribal criminal jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2020, the Tribal Council adopted Resolutions CHO 20-030, CHO 20-031, and CHO 20-032, which authorized Jail Utilization Contracts with Neshoba County, Mississippi and Winston County, Mississippi for housing non-Indian offenders within MBCI’s

special Tribal criminal jurisdiction and delayed implementation of the amended MBCI Tribal Code set forth in Resolution CHO 19-001 indefinitely; and

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2020, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 20-055, which authorized applications for grant funding to implement special Tribal criminal jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, 25 U.S.C. §1304(h) provides that the U.S. Attorney General may reimburse Tribal government authorities for expenses incurred in exercising special Tribal criminal jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Reimbursement Program funding from the U.S. Department of Justice will alleviate the financial burden associated with the conditions for exercising special Tribal criminal jurisdiction set forth in 25 U.S.C §1304(d); and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Judicial Affairs and Law & Order Committee has reviewed this Resolution and recommended it 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. §1352, 2 U.S.C. §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 Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Reimbursement Program funding and renew subsequent applications subject to the availability of funding from the U.S. Department of Justice; 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 extension of Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Reimbursement Program funding from the U.S. Department of Justice 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-031(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A TIMBER USE POLICY STATEMENT FOR CUTTING AND REMOVAL OF FOREST PRODUCTS FROM LANDS OF THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (i) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to establish and enforce rules, consistent with applicable statutes and regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, for the management of tribal lands, including, but not limited to, the making and revocation of assignments, and the disposition of timber, oil, and mineral resources; and

WHEREAS, on May 28, 1987, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 104-86, which authorized a self-determination contract to fund operation of MBCI's Forestry Program; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs requires that Tribes establish periodic timber use policy statements addressing the cutting and subsequent removal of forest products valued at \$15,000.00 or less; and

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2008, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 09-011(B), which first established a timber use policy statement; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has subsequently established timber use policy statements through adoption of Resolutions CHO 12-057(B), CHO 13-137(B), CHO 16-040(B), CHO 17-067(B), CHO 19-107(B), and CHO 22-024(B); and

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

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the Timber Use Policy Statement attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to execute the Timber Use Policy Statement attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to implementation of the Timber Use Policy Statement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of

January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:

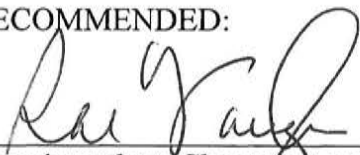


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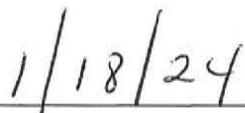


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-032(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT DEDUCTIONS

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (g) 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 operating budgets upon submission by the Tribal Chief; and

WHEREAS, ten percent of gross proceeds from the sale of timber harvested from MBCI Reservation lands is collected by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to 25 U.S.C. §413 and set aside for forest land management activities; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council approval of an expenditure plan is required under 25 C.F.R. §163.25 to gain access to funds withheld from timber sale proceeds in the previous fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2020, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 21-032(B), which last approved an expenditure plan for the use of forest management deductions; and

WHEREAS, ten percent (10%) of timber sale proceeds for Fiscal Year 2023 is \$5,250; and

WHEREAS, interest earned on timber sale proceeds for Fiscal Year 2023 is \$78.21; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Forestry Program has prepared the Expenditure Plan for Forest Management Deductions attached hereto as Exhibit "A" in the amount of \$5,328.21; and

WHEREAS, 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 does hereby approve the Expenditure Plan for Forest Management Deductions attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, or extension of the Expenditure Plan for Forest Management Deductions attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

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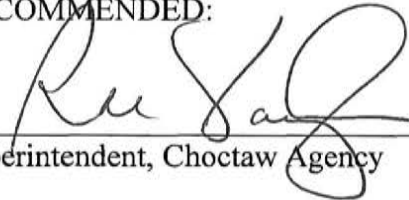


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief

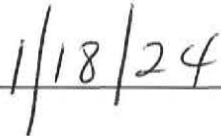


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-033

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF 18 FORMER BUREAU OF INDIAN
AFFAIRS EMPLOYEE HOUSING UNITS

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, on January 16, 1978, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 16-78, which first established procurement policies for MBCI’s Tribal government; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 1989, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 104-89, which authorized acquisition of 31 former Bureau of Indian Affairs employee housing units now known as “Government Quarters”; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 1990, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 01-91, which replaced the aforementioned procurement policies with “Revised Procurement Policies”; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the Revised Procurement Policies through adoption of Resolutions CHO 197-98, CHO 12-098, CHO 13-015, and CHO 22-053; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 1995, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 53, which granted a charter establishing Choctaw Housing Development Enterprise; and

WHEREAS, Choctaw Housing Development Enterprise was reorganized as Choctaw Housing Development Program through enactment of Ordinance No. 56; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2012, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 13-014, which authorized establishment of a consolidated Tribal Housing & Loan Program (now known as “Choctaw Loan Program”) as part of a reorganization of the executive branch of MBCI’s Tribal Government; and

WHEREAS, Section XIII of the Revised Procurement Policies provides that a Tribal Council Resolution is required to dispose of Tribal property that is no longer needed by MBCI Tribal government programs; and

WHEREAS, Choctaw Loan Program has determined that the 18 former Bureau of Indian Affairs employee housing units identified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A” are no longer of value to Choctaw Loan Program because of excessive maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, the Housing 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 the Tribal Chief or his designee, to dispose of the 18 former Bureau of Indian Affairs employee housing units identified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit "A" by any means that the Tribal Chief determines is most economically beneficial to the Tribe; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign any documents, forms, or contracts directly related to disposing of the 18 former Bureau of Indian Affairs employee housing units identified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit "A" in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Revised Procurement Policies 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-034

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS,
CHOCTAW HEALTH CENTER, TO ENTER INTO AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS WITH
ACCREDITED COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND TECHNICAL TRAINING SCHOOLS
TO PROVIDE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN HEALTHCARE

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 Choctaw Health Center (“CHC”) seeks to attract qualified, trained, and licensed health care professionals to meet its mission and accreditation standards in providing quality health care to the Tribal community; and

WHEREAS, CHC desires to enter into affiliation agreements with appropriately accredited colleges, universities and technical training schools which provide education and training in allied health fields; and

WHEREAS, CHC is able to provide field supervision for any Tribal member, CHC employee, or future employees pursuing unpaid clinical hours for health care related certifications, degree programs, or graduate level studies; and

WHEREAS, there are no costs associated with affiliation agreements which provide for unpaid internship or preceptorship hours; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of CHC and the Tribe to enter into affiliation agreements with accredited colleges, universities and technical training programs which offer health care related fields of study, clinical and non-clinical; and

WHEREAS, CHC’s Governing Board and the Chairman of the Health Committee have reviewed this Resolution and recommended it to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to execute affiliation agreements with accredited colleges, universities or technical training schools; 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 duly approved affiliation agreements with accredited colleges, universities or technical training programs, 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-035

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS, CHOCTAW HEALTH CENTER, CHOCTAW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY OVERDOSE INTERVENTION PREVENTION PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

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 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service (“IHS”) has announced that funds will be made available through the Community Overdose Intervention Prevention Program (“COIPP”); and

WHEREAS, the COIPP grant aims to address the opioid crisis in Tribal communities by increasing access to culturally appropriate and evidence-based treatment including medical-assisted treatment using FDA-approved medications for the treatment of opioid use disorder; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds will assist the CHC’s Behavioral Health Department in developing and providing opioid misuse prevention, personnel training to first responders, treatment and recovery support services for the purposes of addressing opioid abuse and the overdose crisis; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe can benefit greatly from additional external resources to enhance the capacity and services of the Choctaw Health Center; and

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

WHEREAS, this is a forecasted opportunity to be published in the Federal Register, identified as CFDA number 93.654, with an estimated application deadline of February 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, there will be an estimated number of 20 awards totaling \$10 million, with awards being granted in amounts between \$300,000 up to \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, CHC’s Governing Board and the Chairman of the Health Committee have reviewed this Resolution and recommended it to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribe’s grant application for the Choctaw Health Center 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 Standing 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 with 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 Community Overdose Intervention Prevention Program and renew subsequent applications upon the availability of funds from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service; 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 extension of the Community Overdose Intervention Prevention Program, 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-036

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS TRIBAL MOTOR VEHICLES

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, on January 16, 1978, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 16-78, which first established procurement policies for MBCI’s Tribal government; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 1990, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 01-91, which replaced the aforementioned procurement policies with “Revised Procurement Policies”; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the Revised Procurement Policies through adoption of Resolutions CHO 197-98, CHO 12-098, CHO 13-015, CHO 22-053, and CHO 23-082; and

WHEREAS, Section XIII of the Revised Procurement Policies provides that a Tribal Council Resolution is required to dispose of Tribal property that is no longer needed by MBCI Tribal government programs; and

WHEREAS, MBCI’s Procurement Officer has determined that the motor vehicles identified in the document attached hereto as Exhibits “A” are no longer of value to MBCI Tribal government programs because of high mileage and excessive maintenance costs; and

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

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to dispose of motor vehicles that MBCI’s Procurement Officer determines are no longer of value to MBCI Tribal government programs because of high mileage and excessive maintenance costs by making those motor vehicles available for sale to MBCI Tribal members by sealed bid under the following conditions:

- 1) inoperable motor vehicles and motor vehicles that require special training or licensure to operate will not be made available for sale to Tribal members by sealed bid;
- 2) a minimum bid amount may be required for each of the motor vehicles identified in the list attached hereto as Exhibit “A” according to its condition; and
- 3) title to each of the motor vehicles identified attached hereto as Exhibit “A” must be conveyed to the buyer before any of those motor vehicles are released; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to dispose of any motor vehicles remaining after a sealed bid sale by any means that the Tribal Chief

determines is most economically beneficial to the Tribe, provided that title to each of those motor vehicles must be conveyed to the recipient before any of those motor vehicles are released; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign any documents, forms, or contracts directly related to disposing of motor vehicles that MBCI's Procurement Officer determines are no longer of value to MBCI Tribal government programs because of high mileage and excessive maintenance costs in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Revised Procurement Policies and this Resolution 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-037

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK FOR THE YOUTH OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM'S SUMMER EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

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, including the regulation of conflict of interest and nepotism; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 1973, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 55-73, which first authorized a contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to fund a seasonal "Youth Opportunities Program"; and

WHEREAS, April 9, 1991, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 61-91, which first budgeted Tribal funds for "Summer Community Workers"; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2009, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 09-092, which placed the Youth Opportunity Program under MBCI's Department of Education as part of a reorganization of the executive branch of the Tribal government; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2018, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 18-032, which first approved policies and procedures for the Youth Opportunity Program; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the Youth Opportunity Program's policies and procedures through adoption of Resolutions CHO 19-086, CHO 20-020, and CHO 21-083; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Opportunity Program is recommending additional revisions to the Employee Handbook for its Summer Employment Program; 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 approve the revised Employee Handbook for the Youth Opportunity Program's Summer Employment Program attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

CERTIFICATION

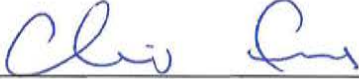
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Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-038

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TRIBAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM'S POLICIES
AND PROCEDURES

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, including the regulation of conflicts of interest and nepotism; and

WHEREAS, on November 22, 1994, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 38-95, which first set aside gaming revenue to fund scholarships for MBCI tribal member college students; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2006, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution 06-076, which first adopted policies and procedures for MBCI's Tribal Scholarship Program; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the Tribal Scholarship Program's policies and procedures through adoption of Resolutions CHO 11-020, CHO 11-054, CHO 13-057, and CHO 22-091; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Scholarship Program is recommending that its policies and procedures be amended as shown on the document attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; 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 amend the Tribal Scholarship Program's policies and procedures as shown on the document attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-039

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SARAH SWANNER-MEDLOCK OF MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY TO CONDUCT DOCTORAL RESEARCH RELATING TO THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS' EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

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, Sarah Swanner-Medlock, a doctoral student at Mississippi State University, is requesting authorization to conduct research relating to MBCI's education and workforce development programs as described in the research proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the research proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "A" will help MBCI evaluate the efficacy of its education and workforce development programs at no cost to MBCI and the information collected from said research belongs to MBCI; and

WHEREAS, the Institutional Review Board ("IRB") of Mississippi State University has reviewed and approved the research proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the dissertation is titled "Analysis within the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians: The Cause and Effect of an Under Educated and Under Skilled Labor Force and finding the Systematic Solutions for Education and Job Training"; and

WHEREAS, the research requires the collection of information from MBCI Departments and Programs listed in Exhibit "A"; 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 Sarah Swanner-Medlock to conduct the research described in the research proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "A" under the following conditions:

- 1) the results of the research must be submitted in writing to MBCI's Policy & Legislative Office and the MBCI Office of the Attorney General by May 31, 2024;
- 2) the results of the research must be presented in-person to the Tribal Council's Education Committee; and
- 3) the results of the research cannot be disseminated to any person or organization other than Mississippi State University faculty without prior written authorization from the Tribal Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, extension or termination of the research described in the research proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-040

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR CHOCTAW
TRIBAL SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians has operated the Choctaw Tribal School System since July 1, 1989; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Tribal Schools updates the school calendar every year; and

WHEREAS, the proposed 2024-2025 school calendar for Choctaw Tribal Schools is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; 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 approve the 2024-2025 school calendar for Choctaw Tribal Schools attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to approve future calendar revisions; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Director of Schools the flexibility in scheduling school holidays as outlined in the school calendar for Maintenance, Janitorial and Central Office Staff and said schedule shall be completed by the Director of Schools and communicated to said employees by August 30, 2024.

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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-041

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH HOLY ROSARY INDIAN MISSION PARISH, PHILADELPHIA

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, on January 11, 1973, MBCI entered into an agreement to lease a ballfield from Holy Rosary Indian Mission Parish, Philadelphia for fifty years; and

WHEREAS, a new lease agreement with Holy Rosary Indian Mission Parish, Philadelphia is necessary since the original lease agreement has expired; and

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

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the Lease Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign the Lease Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, or extension of Lease Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-042(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LAND USE PERMIT FOR WILLEAN MINGO IN THE
CONEHATTA 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, Section 1, Subsection (i) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to establish and enforce rules, consistent with applicable statutes and regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, for the management of tribal lands, including, but not limited to, the making and revocation of assignments, and the disposition of timber, oil, and mineral resources; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2017, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 17-038, which established the MBCI’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council amended MBCI’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations through adoption of Resolution CHO 19-039; and

WHEREAS, MBCI’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations were approved by the Department of the Interior on March 5, 2019 with notice published in the Federal Register on April 10, 2019, Vol. 84, No. 69, pages 14390-14391; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2023, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-SSSSS, which enacted Title XXXVII of the Choctaw Tribal Code (“Land Leasing Code”) to expand upon information provided in MBCI’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations regarding eligibility, administration, inheritability and enforcement related to leases of MBCI Reservation land for use and occupancy by MBCI Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, Section 19 of MBCI’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations provides that the Tribal Council can authorize issuance of one-year land use permits without having all of the documents required to obtain a lease; and

WHEREAS, Subsection §37-1-6(5) of the Land Leasing Code provides that a one-year land use permit is a prerequisite for leasing undeveloped and abandoned sites; and

WHEREAS, MBCI Tribal member Willean Mingo has applied for an agricultural lease of the undeveloped site shown and described on the diagram attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, 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 does hereby approve the Land Use Permit attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to sign the Land Use Permit attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to implementation of the Land Use Permit attached hereto as Exhibit "B" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

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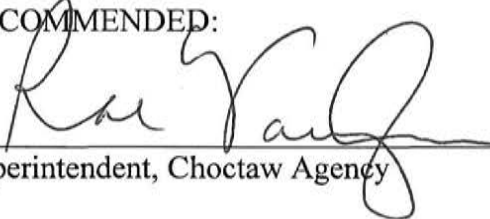


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency

Date 1/18/24

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-043(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LAND USE PERMIT FOR BRANNON FARMER 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, Section 1, Subsection (i) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe empowers the Tribal Council to establish and enforce rules, consistent with applicable statutes and regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, for the management of Tribal lands, including, but not limited to, the making and revocation of assignments, and the disposition of timber, oil, and mineral resources; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2017, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 17-038, which established the Tribe’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council amended the Tribe’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations through adoption of Resolution CHO 19-039; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations were approved by the Department of the Interior on March 5, 2019 with notice published in the Federal Register on April 10, 2019, Vol. 84, No. 69, pages 14390-14391; and

WHEREAS, MBCI Tribal member Brannon Farmer has applied for a residential lease of the land shown and described on the diagram attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, but has not yet gathered all of the documents required to obtain a lease; and

WHEREAS, Section 19 of the Tribe’s HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations provides that the Tribal Council can authorize issuance of one-year land use permits without having all of the documents required to obtain a lease; and

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

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the Land Use Permit attached hereto as Exhibit “B”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to sign the Land Use Permit attached hereto as Exhibit “B”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to implementation of the Land Use Permit attached hereto as Exhibit “B” without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION

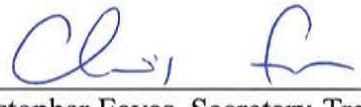
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Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

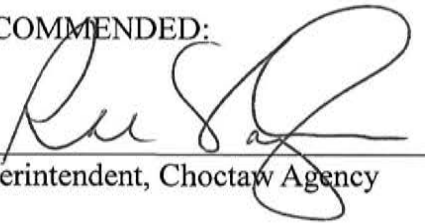
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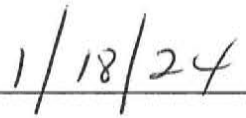
Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:


Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-044(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN FAVOR OF LEAKE COUNTY

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, Leake County requires rights-of-way for state-funded improvements to portions of North Jordan Street that pass through MBCI Reservation land in the Red Water Community; and

WHEREAS, 25 CFR §169.107 provides that the Bureau of Indian Affairs cannot grant rights-of-way without written consent from the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, 25 CFR §169.110 provides that the Bureau of Indian Affairs can waive the requirement for valuation in relation to a grant of right-of-way upon receipt of a document authorized by the Tribal Council which states that a waiver of the valuation requirement is in the best interest of the Tribe since the Tribe has already agreed to a satisfactory amount of compensation; and

WHEREAS, 25 CFR §169.107 provides that the Bureau of Indian Affairs can waive the requirement for bond, insurance, or an alternative form of security in relation to a grant of right-of-way upon receipt of a Tribal Council Resolution stating that a waiver of the security requirement is in the Tribe’s best interest; and

WHEREAS, 25 CFR §169.201 provides that the Bureau of Indian Affairs can grant a right-of-way for any duration that the Tribe determines is reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that the agreed upon compensation of \$0.00 is satisfactory to the Tribe and it is therefore in the best interest of the Tribe to waive valuation in relation to the grants of right-of-way across the land shown on described on the survey plats attached hereto as Exhibits “A” and “B”; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Tribe for the Bureau of Indian Affairs to waive the requirement for bond, insurance, or an alternative form of security in relation to the grants of right-of-way across the land shown and described on the survey plats attached hereto as Exhibits “A” and “B” since the grants of right-of-way will result in road improvements on the MBCI Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that a perpetual duration is reasonable for the grants of right-of-way across the land shown and described on the survey plats attached hereto as Exhibits “A” and “B”; and

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

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby consent to grants of right-of-way across the land shown and described on the survey plats attached hereto as Exhibits "A" and "B"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does waive valuation and the requirement for bond, insurance, or an alternative form of security in relation to the grants of right-of-way across the land shown and described on the survey plats attached hereto as Exhibits "A" and "B"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Bureau of Indian Affairs to grant rights-of-way of perpetual duration across the land shown and described on the survey plats attached hereto as Exhibits "A" and "B"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the issuance of grants of right-of-way across the land shown and described on the survey plats attached hereto as Exhibits "A" and "B" 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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of January, 2024; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2024.

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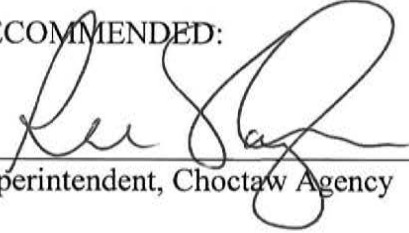


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief

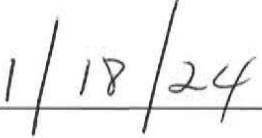


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 24-045(B)

A RESOLUTION TO ACQUIRE ± 117 ACRES IN LEAKE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND TO TRANSFER FEE TITLE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN TRUST FOR THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

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, Section 1, Subsection (b) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of 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, MBCI Reservation lands in the Standing Pine Community adjoin a ± 117-acre parcel of privately-owned land, a description of which can be found in Deed Book 386, page 409 of the records in the office of the Leake County Chancery Clerk; and

WHEREAS, additional MBCI Reservation lands are needed to promote Tribal Self-Determination by providing opportunities for future development that will accommodate MBCI’s growing population; and

WHEREAS, 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 does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to purchase the above-referenced parcel of privately-owned land on behalf of the Tribe for a price not to exceed \$263,250 exclusive of closing costs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to submit an application to transfer fee title to the above-referenced parcel of land to the United States of America in trust for the Tribe; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to transferring the above-referenced parcel of land to the United States of America in trust for the Tribe.

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, 16 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 9th day of

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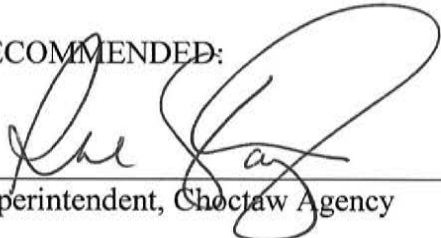


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency

Date 1/18/24