

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-053(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CONDITIONAL RELINQUISHMENTS 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 that any adult MBCI Tribal member may voluntarily relinquish their MBCI Tribal membership contingent upon their enrollment as a member of another federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2023, the Tribal Enrollment Committee approved the below-listed persons’ requests to conditionally relinquish their MBCI Tribal membership 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 a conditional relinquishment of MBCI Tribal membership for the following persons:

Name:	B.K.M.	Name:	K.M.
Date of Birth:	05/24/1967	Date of Birth:	05/28/1971
Enrolled By:	Choctaw Agency	Enrolled By:	Choctaw Agency
Enrollment No:	7033	Enrollment No:	7032

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the relinquishment of MBCI Tribal membership for each of the above-listed persons shall be effective on the date they are enrolled as a member of another federally-recognized Indian Tribe.

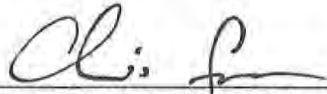
CERTIFICATION

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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-054(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 five (5) 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 five (5) MBCI Tribal members as specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

CERTIFICATION

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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-055(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 sixteen (16) 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 11,037 enrolled members of MBCI; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby enroll the sixteen (16) persons specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit "A", beginning with the name E. Anderson and ending with Z. Willis; and be it further



RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the assignment of roll numbers to all sixteen (16) persons specified in the document attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

CERTIFICATION

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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief
Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-056

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS' DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES TO APPLY FOR FUNDING TO OPERATE TRIBAL CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES PROGRAMS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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, 42 U.S.C. §455(f) and 42 U.S.C. §612, as implemented by 45 CFR Parts 286 and 309, authorize the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS") to provide funding for Tribally operated child support enforcement and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families ("TANF") programs, provided Indian Tribes must first submit plans to operate those programs for approval by the Secretary of HHS; and

WHEREAS, Tribally operated child support enforcement and TANF programs can be designed to provide benefits that exceed those provided by equivalent State operated programs; and

WHEREAS, 45 CFR §309.130(d) provides that Indian Tribes can satisfy the cost sharing obligation for Tribally operated child support enforcement programs through in-kind contributions; and

WHEREAS, 1 Family Services in Indian Country, LLC is offering technical assistance, software, and other resources to help MBCI develop plans and meet the cost sharing obligation for Tribally operated child support enforcement and TANF programs at no cost to MBCI; and

WHEREAS, subject to approval by the Secretary of HHS, the MBCI Department of Family and Community Services will be designated to oversee and operate Tribal child support enforcement and TANF programs; and

WHEREAS, the Community and Family Services & Veteran Affairs Committee has reviewed this Resolution and is recommended to be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the funding 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 apply for, negotiate and accept funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to operate Tribal child support enforcement and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Programs and renew subsequent applications upon the availability of funds; 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 funding the Tribal child support enforcement and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Programs from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-057

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS' CHOCTAW HEALTH CENTER AND
THE MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR MONITORING OF BLOOD
LEAD LEVELS IN CHILDREN

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 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") desires to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with the Mississippi State Department of Health ("MSDH"); and

WHEREAS, MSDH will provide secure access to CHC to receive pertinent lead level data reported on Tribal children under six (6) years of age to designated CHC custodians; and

WHEREAS, the data may include the following regarding individual children who were tested for elevated blood levels in Mississippi:

- i. Name and address (including county);
- ii. Gender, age, date of birth, race, and ethnicity; and
- iii. Dates of testing and lead levels measured in each child in each test

and

WHEREAS, CHC wishes to utilize this data to document lead reporting results received from MSDH and then to engage appropriate environmental and medical services and monitoring of identified lead exposures, including working with a number of necessary programs including medical providers, Environmental Health Services, as well as MBCI's Office of Environmental Protection, to aid in identification and mitigation of lead exposure risks to Tribal children, and to make appropriate environmental referrals to off reservation agencies for those Tribal children and families who reside off reservation; and

WHEREAS, the CHC Governing Board and the Chairman of the Health Committee have reviewed this Resolution and it 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 enter into the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Choctaw Health Center, and the Mississippi State Department of Health in substantially the same form as attached; 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 implementation, continuance,

amendment, or extension of the attached Memorandum of Understanding 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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-058

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS'
CHOCTAW REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AND MAINTENANCE FACILITY
PROGRAM TO APPLY FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE BUSES AND BUS FACILITIES
PROGRAM FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL
TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

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 September 8, 1981, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 22 which established a Choctaw Transit Authority to administer public transportation on MBCI's Reservation; and

WHEREAS, Choctaw Transit Authority was reorganized as Choctaw Transit Program through enactment of Ordinance No. 56; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration ("FTA") has made funds available through the Buses and Bus Facilities Program under 49 U.S.C. 5339(b); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Buses and Bus Facilities Program is to assist in the financing of capital projects for buses and bus facilities, including replacing, rehabilitating, purchasing, or leasing buses or related equipment, and rehabilitating, purchasing, constructing, or leasing bus-related facilities; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Choctaw Regional Transportation and Maintenance Facility Program will use grant funding to purchase 10 new buses to enhance and expand transportation services; and

WHEREAS, the Buses and Bus Facilities Program will provide grant funding in the amount of \$857,700; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe will provide matching funds in the amount of \$142,950; and

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

RESOLVED, that the 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 Tribe to commit \$142,950 in matching funds in support of the Choctaw Regional Transportation and Maintenance Facility Program's application for FTA Buses and Bus Facilities Program funding to acquire ten new buses; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to apply for and accept funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration for the Buses and Bus Facilities Program and renew subsequent applications upon the availability of funds; 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 Buses and Bus Facilities Program funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration without further Council action.

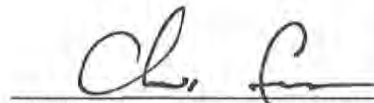
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-059

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A STIPEND FOR MEMBERS OF CHOCTAW
AMERICAN INSURANCE, INC.'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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 corporation, 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 November 15, 2004, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 05-007, which ratified the corporate charter establishing Choctaw American Insurance, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned corporate charter provides that the members of Choctaw American Insurance, Inc.'s Board of Directors cannot receive a stipend for their service on the Board of Directors without Tribal Council authorization; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2023, Choctaw American Insurance, Inc.'s Board of Directors adopted Resolution CAI 23-003, which recommended that the Tribal Council authorize a \$250 payment to each member of the Board of Directors who participates in a meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that no member of the Board of Directors receives more than \$1,000 over the course of twelve months; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2023, the Economic Development Committee recommended increasing the total stipend payment to Choctaw American Insurance, Inc.'s Board of Directors from \$1,000 to \$3,000 over the course of twelve months; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development 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 Choctaw American Insurance, Inc. to pay \$250 to each member of its Board of Directors who participates in a meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that no member of the Board of Directors receives more than \$3,000 over the course of twelve months.


CERTIFICATION

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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-060

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS' DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOLS TO APPLY FOR THE 2022 CLEAN SCHOOL BUS REBATE PROGRAM FROM THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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 Environmental Protection Agency has made funds available through the 2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program for the replacement of existing school buses with cleaner buses that result in better air quality on the bus, in bus loading areas, and throughout the communities in which they operate; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Schools desires to apply for the 2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program to replace outdated school buses and upgrade infrastructure on the reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Schools will use funding to purchase new electric school buses for Department of Schools use at outlying community schools and to develop infrastructure and purchase school bus charging stations; and

WHEREAS, a requirement of the 2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program is to dispose of old diesel school buses when purchasing new replacement electric school buses; 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 apply for, negotiate and accept the 2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program from the U.S. Department of Environmental Protection Agency and renew subsequent applications upon the availability of funds; 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 2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program from the U.S. Department of Environmental Protection Agency without further Council action; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to dispose of nine (9) old diesel school buses identified in the 2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program application in accordance with procedures set forth in Section XIII of the Revised Procurement Policies; 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 relating to disposing of the nine (9) old diesel school buses identified in the 2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program application without further council action.

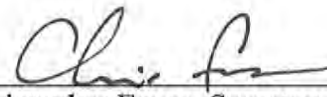
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-061

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2023-2024 POLICY HANDBOOKS FOR THE
CHOCTAW TRIBAL SCHOOLS

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, on November 30, 1988, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 22-89, which authorized a self-determination contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the Tribe to operate the Choctaw Tribal Schools beginning July 1, 1989; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 1989, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 96-89, which acknowledged that the Tribal Council would become the governing body of the Choctaw Tribal Schools; and

WHEREAS, each year the Choctaw Tribal School System presents policy handbooks for the next school year for the approval of the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the following policy handbooks have been presented to the Education Committee: (1) 2023-2024 Choctaw Tribal Schools Parent and Student Handbook; (2) 2023-2024 Choctaw Tribal Schools Staff Handbook; (3) 2023-2024 Choctaw Central Dormitory Student Handbook; (4) 2023-2024 Choctaw Virtual Learning Center Handbook; and (5) 2023-2024 Career & Technical Education Center Handbook; 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 following attached policy handbooks: (1) 2023-2024 Choctaw Tribal Schools Parent and Student Handbook; (2) 2023-2024 Choctaw Tribal Schools Staff Handbook; (3) 2023-2024 Choctaw Central Dormitory Student Handbook; (4) 2023-2024 Choctaw Virtual Learning Center Handbook; and (5) 2023-2024 Career & Technical Education Center Handbook.

CERTIFICATION

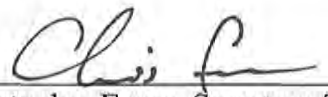
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-062

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A COMMERCIAL LAND ASSIGNMENT BETWEEN THE
MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS D/B/A CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER
ENTERPRISE AND CHOCTAW FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

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 January 11, 2011, MBCI’s 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 adopted Resolution CHO 11-085 which amended the Commercial Land Assignment Ordinance; 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 September 27, 2000, MBCI’s Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 00-168(B), which designated the Choctaw Town Center for use by the Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise (“Enterprise”); and

WHEREAS, the Commercial Land Assignment attached hereto as Exhibit “A” would allow Choctaw Federal Credit Union to operate its business of providing financial services located within the Choctaw Town Center, in the Pearl River Community, situated in Neshoba County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2023, the Enterprise Board of Directors adopted Resolution CSCE 23-04, which recommended that the Tribal Council approve an agreement to lease commercial space within the Choctaw Town Center to Choctaw Federal Credit Union for three years, with the option to renew the agreement for an additional three years; 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 authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to execute the Commercial Land Assignment between MBCI d/b/a Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise and Choctaw Federal Credit Union 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 implementation of the Commercial Land Assignment between MBCI d/b/a Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise and Choctaw Federal Credit Union 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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:

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Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief

A blue ink signature of Christopher Eaves, consisting of a stylized 'C' and 'E'.

Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-063

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A COMMERCIAL LAND ASSIGNMENT BETWEEN THE
MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS D/B/A CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER
ENTERPRISE AND PEARL RIVER INSURANCE AGENCY, L.P.

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 January 11, 2011, MBCI’s 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 adopted Resolution CHO 11-085 which amended the Commercial Land Assignment Ordinance; 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 September 27, 2000, MBCI’s Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 00-168(B), which designated the Choctaw Town Center for use by the Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise (“Enterprise”); and

WHEREAS, the Commercial Land Assignment attached hereto as Exhibit “A” would allow Pearl River Insurance Agency, L.P. to operate its business of providing insurance services located within the Choctaw Town Center, in the Pearl River Community, situated in Neshoba County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2023, the Enterprise Board of Directors adopted Resolution CSCE 23-05, which recommended that the Tribal Council approve an agreement to lease commercial space within the Choctaw Town Center to Pearl River Insurance Agency, L.P. for two years, with the option to renew the agreement for an additional three years; 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 authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary Treasurer to execute the Commercial Land Assignment between MBCI d/b/a Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise and Pearl River Insurance Agency, L.P. attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and it be further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the implementation of the Commercial Land Assignment between MBCI d/b/a Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise and Pearl River Insurance Agency, L.P. 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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-064

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A COMMERCIAL LAND ASSIGNMENT BETWEEN THE
MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS D/B/A CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER
ENTERPRISE AND ELGELITA WELCH D/B/A VAN Z NATIVE ART III

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 January 11, 2011, MBCI's 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 adopted Resolution CHO 11-085 which amended the Commercial Land Assignment Ordinance; 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 September 27, 2000, MBCI's Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 00-168(B), which designated the Choctaw Town Center for use by the Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise ("Enterprise"); and

WHEREAS, the Commercial Land Assignment attached hereto as Exhibit "A" would allow Elgelita Welch d/b/a Van Z Native Art III to operate its business of selling merchandise and related items located within the Choctaw Town Center, in the Pearl River Community, situated in Neshoba County, Mississippi; 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 authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to execute the Commercial Land Assignment between MBCI d/b/a Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise and Elgelita Welch d/b/a Van Z Native Art III attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and it be further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign any additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the implementation of the Commercial Land Assignment attached hereto as Exhibit "A" without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION

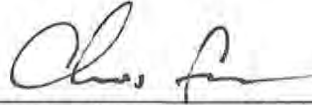
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:

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Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief

A blue ink signature, appearing to read "Chris Eaves", written over a horizontal line.

Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-065(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LEASE BETWEEN THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF
CHOCTAW INDIANS D/B/A CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER ENTERPRISE AND
AGLINE DISTRIBUTING AND EQUIPMENT, 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, leases of Tribally-owned commercial facilities no longer require Bureau of Indian Affairs approval as the Tribal Council has the sole authority to approve such leases under the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations 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 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 April 13, 2010, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 10-075, which designated Choctaw Manufacturing Enterprise Plants 1, 2, and 3 for use by the Enterprise; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Office of the Attorney General has approved the form of the lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to Section 18 of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise Board of Directors has reviewed the Lease 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 lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to Section 18 of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to execute the lease 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 lease 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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-066(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LEASE BETWEEN THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF
CHOCTAW INDIANS D/B/A CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER ENTERPRISE AND
DANIEL ORNELAS D/B/A EL RODEO MEXICAN RESTAURANT, INC.

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

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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 14, 2020, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 20-046, which authorized a lease of commercial space within the Choctaw Town Center to Daniel Ornelas d/b/a El Rodeo Mexican Restaurant, Inc. ("El Rodeo"); and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Office of the Attorney General has approved the form of the lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to Section 18 of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Enterprise Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the Tribe to waive the requirement for bond in relation to the lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations since El Rodeo has already paid a security deposit; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Tribe to approve the provisions of the lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" which allows El Rodeo to make its interest in the lease subject to a leasehold mortgage without the need for further Tribal Council approval pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2023, the Enterprise Board adopted Resolution CSCE 23-03, which recommended that the Tribal Council approve an agreement to lease commercial space within the Choctaw Town Center to El Rodeo for an additional five years, with the option to renew the agreement for two successive terms of five years each; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise Board of Directors has reviewed the Lease 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 lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to Section 18 of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby waive the requirement for bond in relation to the lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve the provisions of the lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" which allows El Rodeo to make its interest in the lease subject to a leasehold mortgage without the need for further Tribal Council approval pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Tribe's HEARTH Act Leasing Regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief and the Secretary-Treasurer to execute the lease 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 implementation of the lease attached hereto as Exhibit "A" without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION

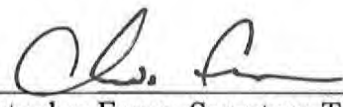
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:

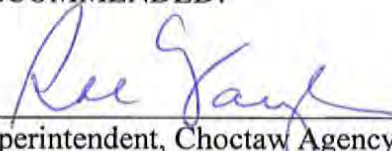


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief

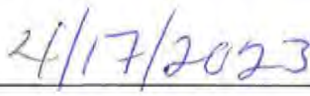


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-067(B)

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION CHO 01-101(B) BY EXCLUDING AN
UNDEVELOPED PORTION OF A SITE SET ASIDE FOR CHOCTAW SHOPPING CENTER
ENTERPRISE 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, the Tribal Council has the authority to dedicate MBCI Reservation lands to a public use without the need for Bureau of Indian Affairs approval since such dedications are not considered leases for the purposes of federal laws and regulations which govern leases of reservation lands; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2001, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 01-101(B), which set aside 2.29 acres in Conehatta Community for a commercial building being developed by Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify the boundary of the 2.29 acres set aside for Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise since a stickball practice field occupies the undeveloped portion of those 2.29 acres; 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 amend Resolution CHO 01-101(B) by excluding the land shown and described on the diagram attached hereto as Exhibit "A" from the 2.29 acres set aside for Choctaw Shopping Center Enterprise.

CERTIFICATION

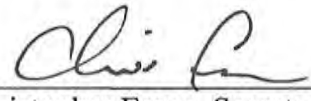
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

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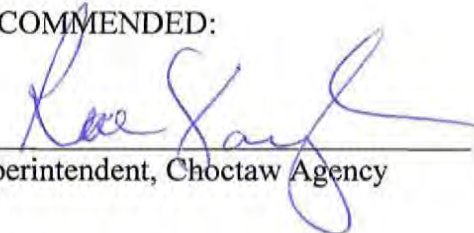


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:



Superintendent, Choctaw Agency



Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-068

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE REALTY PROGRAM'S EFFORTS TO UPDATE THE
RESERVATION LAND USE PLAN

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, the Tribe has experienced significant growth and development on Tribal lands since the most recent development of a Reservation Land Use Plan adopted by the Tribal Council by Resolution CHO 76-94 in 1994; and

WHEREAS, since 1994, the Tribe has significantly increased its land holdings, and none of these lands are included in the 1994 Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe anticipates continued future growth and development that will require land use decisions related to new housing, government facilities, commercial development, and recreation, among others; and

WHEREAS, there are significant and meaningful cost considerations when deciding to use lands for commercial and residential purposes including the need for expensive infrastructure such as roads, water, and sewer services; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe would also benefit by identifying lands that should not be developed such as wetlands, flood plains, cultural sites, wildlife preserves, and forest lands; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Realty Program ("Realty") has developed a project plan to review and make recommendations to update the Reservation Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, Realty wants to make the site selection process for new development as efficient and cost-effective as possible, and recommends that the Tribe will benefit from updating its Reservation Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, Realty will need to coordinate with several other Tribal Programs and Departments to efficiently and accurately develop this plan; and

WHEREAS, Realty intends to complete this research and share its findings and recommendations with the Natural Resources Committee no later than January 2024; 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 endorse the MBCI Realty Program's efforts to coordinate the development of a Reservation Land Use Plan for all Tribal lands by identifying suitable and appropriate locations for future residential, commercial, agricultural, and recreational uses as well as areas that should not be used for new development.

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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-069

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE REALTY PROGRAM'S EFFORTS TO INCREASE
THE QUANTITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESIDENTIAL LOTS

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, there is a continual and ongoing need for new residential housing lots, for both single-family homes and mobile homes, in all eight Tribal communities; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Realty Program ("Realty") has identified vacant and unleased lots ("Vacant Lots") that have previously been used for residential housing units and are suitable and appropriate for residential use; and

WHEREAS, the Vacant Lots should provide a low-cost and efficient option for new residential units with access to necessary infrastructure including roads, water, sewer, and electrical services; and

WHEREAS, Realty desires to increase the number of lots available for new residential leases, and also desires to enable new residential lessees to more efficiently select an appropriate location and secure a residential lease; and

WHEREAS, there are obstacles preventing redevelopment of the approximately 230 Vacant Lots, including the presence of abandoned but unlivable structures, such as a partially burned house, and disputes among deceased former lessees' heirs, among others; and

WHEREAS, Realty wants to make the residential leasing process as efficient and cost-effective as possible, and desires to conduct a thorough evaluation of each of these lots to determine the true cause of their encumbrance; and

WHEREAS, Realty will need to coordinate with several other Tribal Programs and Departments to conduct this research; and

WHEREAS, Realty intends to complete this research and share its findings with the Natural Resource Committee no later than January 2024; 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 endorse the MBCI Realty Program's efforts to thoroughly evaluate the circumstances of the Vacant Lots and propose solutions to the obstacles preventing redevelopment of those lots in order to both increase the number of residential lots available for lease and clean-up and remove blight from unlivable and unsafe structures.


CERTIFICATION

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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-070(B)

A RESOLUTION TO ACQUIRE ± 150 ACRES OF LAND IN NEWTON 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 Conehatta Community adjoin ± 150 acres of land owned by Leach Land & Timber, LLC, a description of which can be found in Deed Book 375, Page 452 of the records in the Chancery Clerk’s Office of Newton County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, additional federal trust lands will promote Tribal Self-Determination by accommodating MBCI’s growing Tribal membership; 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 private land on behalf of the Tribe for a price not to exceed \$300,000, 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 private 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 the purchase of the above-referenced private land and its transfer to the United States of America in trust for the Tribe without further Council action.

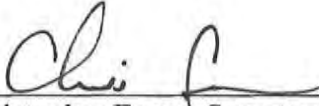
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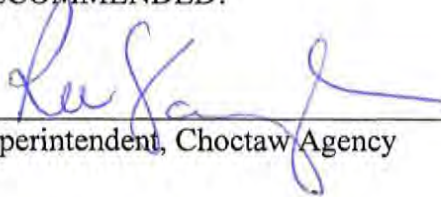
Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:


Superintendent, Choctaw Agency

4/17/2023
Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-071(B)

A RESOLUTION TO ACQUIRE ± 0.58 ACRES OF LAND IN NESHOPA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO TRANSFER FEE TITLE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN TRUST FOR THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS AND TO DESIGNATE A SITE IN THE TUCKER COMMUNITY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, MAINTENANCE, AND ADMINISTRATION OF SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING UNITS BY CHOCTAW HOUSING AUTHORITY

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, on June 11, 1965, the Tribal Council adopted Ordinance No. 1, which established a charter for Choctaw Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended Choctaw Housing Authority’s charter through enactment of Ordinance Nos. 1-A and 16-DDD and through adoption of Resolutions CHO 25-77 and CHO 187-93; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2000, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 00-072, which designated Choctaw Housing Authority as the Tribe’s Tribally-Designated Housing Entity; and

WHEREAS, MBCI Reservation lands in the Tucker Community adjoin a ± 0.58-acre parcel of land owned by Choctaw Housing Authority, a description of which can be found in Deed Book 2014, Page 2,737 in the Chancery Clerk’s Office of Neshoba County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2023, Choctaw Housing Authority’s Board of Commissioners met and authorized donation of the above-referenced land to the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, additional federal trust lands are needed to promote Tribal Self-Determination by providing areas for further housing development by Choctaw Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has the authority to dedicate Tribal lands to a public use without the need for Bureau of Indian Affairs approval since such dedications are not considered leases for the purposes of federal laws and regulations which govern leases of reservation lands; and

WHEREAS, development, maintenance, and administration of housing units by Choctaw Housing Authority is a public use for which Tribal lands can be dedicated; 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 accept Choctaw Housing Authority's donation of the above-referenced land on behalf of the Tribe; 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 land to the United States of America in trust for the Tribe; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby designate the Tribal lands shown and described on the survey plat attached hereto as Exhibit "A" for development, maintenance, and administration of single-family housing units by Choctaw Housing Authority; 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 Choctaw Housing Authority's donation of the above-referenced land, its transfer to the United States of America in trust for the Tribe, and the development, maintenance, and administration of single-family housing units on the above-referenced land without further Council action.

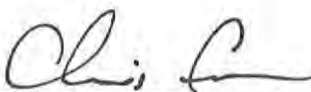
CERTIFICATION

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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

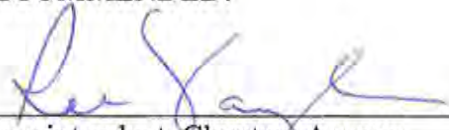
Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.


ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:


Superintendent, Choctaw Agency


Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-072(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LAND USE PERMIT FOR GRANT WILLIAMS 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 Grant Williams 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 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 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.

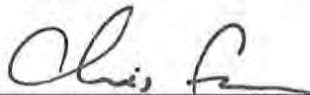
CERTIFICATION

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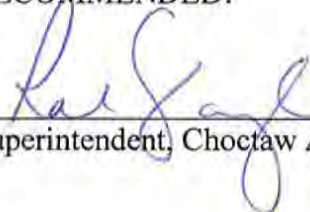
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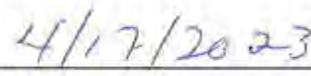
ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:


Superintendent, Choctaw Agency


Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-073(B)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LAND USE PERMIT FOR HANNAH ANDERSON 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 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 Hannah Anderson has applied for a Land Use Permit 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 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 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; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Hannah Anderson shall provide all of the documents necessary to execute the Land Use Permit attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

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 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 16 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

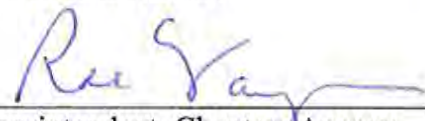
Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

RECOMMENDED:


Superintendent, Choctaw Agency


Date

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-074

A RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY A LIST OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT TO
SERVE AS CHOCTAW SUPREME COURT JUSTICES PRO-TEM

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 (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, 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 July 25, 2000, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-III, which established rules of procedure for the Choctaw Supreme Court as Title VII of the Choctaw Tribal Code; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2003, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-TTT, which amended Title VII of the Choctaw Tribal Code by establishing a procedure for the appointment of alternate Choctaw Supreme Court justices to serve in the event that a regularly appointed Choctaw Supreme Court justice cannot hear a case; and

WHEREAS, Section §7-1-13 of the Choctaw Tribal Code provides that the Tribal Council must certify a list of persons eligible for appointment to serve as Choctaw Supreme Court justices pro-tem on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has previously certified Choctaw Supreme Court justices pro-tem through adoption of Tribal Council Resolutions CHO 03-064, CHO 04-037, CHO 19-099, and CHO 22-022; 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 certify that the following persons are eligible for appointment to serve as Choctaw Supreme Court justices pro-tem:

Judges of the Choctaw Tribal Courts
Hon. Peggy Gibson

Judges from Outside the Choctaw Tribal Courts
Hon. Joshua Breedlove

Hon. Rita Mattera
Hon. Drew Taylor

Hon. Christopher A. Collins
Hon. Cheryl Fairbanks
Hon. N. Cheryl Hamby

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the attorneys listed above are approved legal counsel authorized to perform services on behalf of the Tribe; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign contracts for services of the pro-tem justices who are not Tribal government employees; and be it further

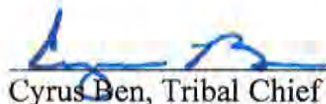
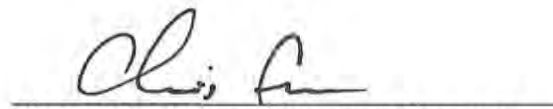
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or his designee, to sign any additional documents, forms or contracts directly related to contracting services for Choctaw Supreme Court justices pro-tem without further Council action.

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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief
Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-075

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CHOCTAW LOAN PROGRAM HOME EQUITY
LOAN 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 May 26, 2006, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 06-097, which approved a policy for administration of mortgage loans by the Choctaw Loan Program as part of a comprehensive five-year housing development plan; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2012, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 13-014, which authorized the 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, on October 11, 2022, the Tribal Council amended Choctaw Loan Program's mortgage loan policy through the adoption of Resolution CHO 23-005; and

WHEREAS, Choctaw Loan Program is proposing to offer Home Equity Loans using both the standards attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and the procedures set forth in Choctaw Loan Program's mortgage loan policy that do not conflict with those standards; 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 approve the Choctaw Loan Program's proposal to offer home equity loans using both the standards attached hereto as Exhibit "A" become part of the Choctaw Loan Program's mortgage loan policy and shall become effective upon passage of this Resolution.

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, 17 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Regular Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 11th day of April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-076

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRIBAL HOUSING RENTAL PROGRAM TO
DISPOSE OF NINE UNINHABITABLE MOBILE HOMES

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 Tribe is the owner of nine (9) mobile homes, described attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which were bought or otherwise acquired years ago and have been used as emergency or temporary homes for Tribal members needing short-term housing under the Tribal Housing Rental Program; and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) mobile homes described in Exhibit "A" are now uninhabitable and should be declared salvage because the cost to repair or renovate these homes will exceed the value of the units; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Housing Rental Program is authorized to receive bids for the removal of these mobile homes and clearing of the lot at a cost not to exceed \$1000 per single wide and \$1400 per double wide unit; and

WHEREAS, the lots or trailer spaces where these mobile homes were situated shall remain in the possession of the lessor, the Tribal Housing Rental Program; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Tribe to dispose of nine (9) mobile homes described in Exhibit "A"; 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 to execute documents, forms or contracts directly related to engage services to immediately dispose of nine (9) mobile homes as described in the attached Exhibit "A" without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION

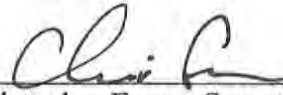
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-077

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE TRIBAL
ELECTION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Title XXXIII of the Choctaw Tribal Code is known as the Choctaw Tribal Election Code and it outlines the rules governing Tribal elections, including the appointment of persons to the Tribal Election Committee; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2022, the Tribal Council enacted Ordinance No. 16-RRRRR which amended the Choctaw Tribal Election Code and increased the number of alternate positions appointed to the Tribal Election Committee; and

WHEREAS, Section §33-4-1(2) of the Choctaw Tribal Election Code provides that the Tribal Chief shall appoint nine (9) alternate members to the Tribal Election Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council approved Resolutions CHO 21-028 and CHO 23-032, which confirmed the appointments of Gary Williamson, Melanie Benn and Danita Willis as alternate members of the Tribal Election Committee; and

WHEREAS, Chief Cyrus Ben has nominated the following and terms expire as follows:

<u>Alternate Members</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Renata Morris	October 13, 2026
Andrea Thompson	October 13, 2026
Natasha Jefferson	October 13, 2026
Rosa Kanagy	October 13, 2026
Sandra Steve	October 13, 2026
Alvina Mitch	October 13, 2026

Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby confirm the appointments listed to the Tribal Election Committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, that these appointments are four (4) year terms and end on the expiration date or until a successor has been duly nominated and confirmed.

CERTIFICATION


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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-078

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD, LLP TO
PERFORM LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (e) 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 employ and pay legal counsel, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior so long as such approval is required by Federal law; and

WHEREAS, on December 28, 2004, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution CHO 05-014 which established a comprehensive list of attorneys authorized to perform legal services for the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has amended the aforementioned list through adoption of Resolutions CHO 06-146, CHO 07-015, CHO 07-108, CHO 08-023, CHO 08-065, CHO 09-005, CHO 09-026, CHO 10-031, CHO 10-101, CHO 12-039, CHO 12-117, CHO 13-006, CHO 13-111, CHO 14-098, CHO 17-016, CHO 18-076, CHO 20-028, CHO 21-019, CHO 21-020, CHO 21-051, CHO 21-065, CHO 21-073, CHO 22-088, CHO 22-089, and CHO 23-010; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to engage the services of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP for consulting services for the BIE 105(l) leaseback of school facilities; and

WHEREAS, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP have not previously been authorized to perform legal services for the Tribe; 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 Tribal Council does hereby approve Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP to be placed on the list of attorneys authorized to perform legal services for the Tribe; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief to sign the attorney contract with Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP; 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 the attorney contract without further Council action.

CERTIFICATION

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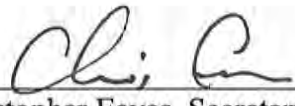
April, 2023; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 17 members in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:



Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief



Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 23-079

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A JUSTICE PRO-TEM DUE TO A VACANCY IN THE
CHIEF JUSTICE POSITION OF THE CHOCTAW SUPREME COURT

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 “enforce ordinances governing the conduct of tribal members; providing for the maintenance of law, order, and the administration of justice ... establishing a tribal court; and defining the powers and duties of that court...”; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Justice position of the Choctaw Supreme Court is currently vacant due to a recent resignation and there is a need for a pro-tem Chief Justice to serve as the principal judicial officer for the court system and to be responsible for the administration of matters affecting the entire court system; and

WHEREAS, Section §1-3-2 of the Choctaw Tribal Code (“CTC”) states in part that the Choctaw Supreme Court shall be comprised of one Chief Justice and two Associate Justices sitting as a three-justice panel to hear and decide appeals and that the Tribal Council may appoint a pro-tem Justice to serve in the place of an available or disqualified Justice; and

WHEREAS, Section §1-3-4 of the CTC states in part that the Chief Justice’s qualifications shall be the same as §1-3-3(1) of the CTC and have at least three (3) years of judicial experience; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the MBCI that the pro-tem justice have the same qualifications as the pro-tem position; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby appoint Peggy Gibson to serve as pro-tem Chief Justice of the Choctaw Supreme Court to hear an upcoming Choctaw Supreme Court Oral Argument scheduled for April 25, 2023, and to continue serving as pro-tem justice in that case until its final judgment; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Peggy Gibson is hereby appointed to temporarily serve as the principal judicial officer for the court system and to be responsible for the administration of matters affecting the entire court system until a replacement Chief Justice has been nominated and confirmed.

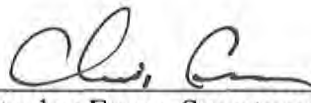
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Dated this 11th day of April, 2023.

ATTEST:


Cyrus Ben, Tribal Chief


Christopher Eaves, Secretary-Treasurer