

**TENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
SPECIAL SESSION
OCTOBER 1, 2025
CONCHO, OK**

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Approve and Appropriate 2025-2026 Tribal Membership dues and application to the National Congress of American Indians

RESOLUTION NO: 10L-SS-2025-1001-003

DATE INTRODUCED: September 25, 2025

SPONSOR: Kendricks Sleeper, District A2

CO-SPONSOR: Rector Candy, District A4

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Approve and Appropriate 2025-2026 Tribal Membership dues and application to the National Congress of American Indians

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are a federally recognized Indian tribe organized pursuant to a Constitution approved by tribal membership on April 4, 2006 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution provides that Legislative power shall reside with the Legislature; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution grants the Legislature the “power to make all laws and resolutions in accordance with the Constitution which are necessary and proper for the good of the Tribes;” and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution requires “Laws and resolutions which have been enacted shall remain valid until amended or repealed;” and

WHEREAS: The Legislature has the Constitutional obligation and public responsibility to the Tribes to oversee the Tribes’ operations in order to establish and promote justice, establish guidance and direction for the government and advance the general welfare of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes wishes to become a Member Indian Government in Good Standing with the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI); and,

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes meets all requirements for Tribal Membership, pursuant to Article III – Members, Section B of the Constitution and By-laws of NCAI; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 10th Legislature, hereby authorizes Mr. Reggie Wassana, Governor, to take the necessary action to place the Tribes in Membership with NCAI; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tribal Funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 from tax commission, will be due, based on the Tribal Membership dues schedule in the NCAI By-Laws; Article III– Members, Section C-Dues; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that based on the tribal enrollment of 16,412 persons the Tribes shall have 180 votes, in accordance with Article III – Members, Section B 1d; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that, pursuant to Article III – Members, Section B 1(b) of the NCAI Constitution and By-Laws, the Tribe/Nation designates the following persons as Delegate and Alternate Delegate(s) and instructs them to become Individual Members in Good Standing with NCAI in order to fulfill their responsibilities as Official Delegates and Alternative Delegates to the National Congress of American Indians Annual Convention, Executive Council Winter Session and Mid-Year Conference.

Delegates to be determined by the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes.

Delegate: Reggie Wassana
Title: Governor

Signature: 
Term Expiration Date: October 1, 2026

Alternate: Hershel Gorham
Title: Lt. Governor

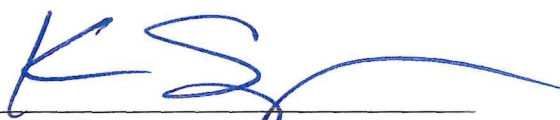
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Kendricks Sleeper
Speaker of the Tenth Legislature
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

I, Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Copy of the Original Bill No. 10L-SS-2025-1001-003 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Tenth Legislature Special Session, by a roll call vote on the 1st day of October 2025.

VOTE RECORD:

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Diane Willis	✓			
A2	Kendricks Sleeper	✓			
A3	Travis Ruiz	✓			
A4	Rector Candy	✓			
C1	Bruce Whiteman, Jr.	✓			
C2	George Woods	✓			
C3	Thomas Trout	✓			
C4	Byron Byrd	✓			
TOTAL		8			
Passes (X) Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					


Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk
Tenth Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: "All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless any Member of the Tribes submits to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council a petition signed by at least one hundred fifty Members of the Tribal Council seeking to repeal the law or resolution at the next Tribal Council meeting. If the Tribal Council fails to repeal such law or resolution at the next Tribal Council where the matter has been properly placed on the agenda for the Tribal Council meeting, such law or resolution shall become effective immediately."

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4, subsection (g) of the Tribes Constitution reads: "The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution."

{ ☒ } APPROVED

{ ☐ } VETOED: Attachment ____; Governor's written explanation of any objections.

On the 1st day of October, 2025.



Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:

From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management

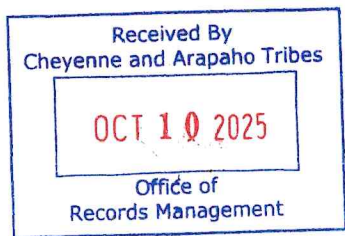
ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(v), of the Tribes Constitution reads, "The Office of Records Management shall compile all Laws and Resolutions into a comprehensive Code in an orderly manner that shall be published annually."

Office of Records Management Staff, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Original Resolution No. 10L-SS-2025-1001-003.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind

Print Name: Cheryl Blind

Title: Director

Date: 10/10/25

Office of Records Management
Department of Administration, Executive Branch
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes