

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 10, 2026
LCR, CONCHO, OK

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Elect the Speaker and Assistant Speaker of the Eleventh Legislature.

RESOLUTION NO: 11L-RS-2026-01-001
DATE INTRODUCED: December 10, 2025
SPONSOR: Kendricks Sleeper, A2 District
CO-SPONSOR: Rector Candy, A4 District

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Elect the Speaker and Assistant Speaker of the Eleventh Legislature.

WHEREAS: Whereas, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are duly recognized by the United States Secretary of the Interior as a self-governing, Sovereign Nation, that is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with all rights, privileges, and powers attended thereto as a sovereign government, and organized in accordance with Title 25 of the United States Code, Section 450, the “Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act,” and Article XVII of the Tribe’s Constitution and By-Laws and Section 3 of the Oklahoma Indian Welfare Act of June 26, 1936 (49 Stat. 1967), under an amended Constitution ratified on August, 2006 and approved by the Secretary of Interior on May 17, 2006; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution provides that the Legislature shall select a Speaker from among its members; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5, subsection (a) of the Constitution requires that all actions by the Legislature shall be embodied in a written Law or Resolution; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5, subsection (a) of the Constitution requires that all actions by the Legislature shall made by a majority vote of the Legislators present unless otherwise specifically indicated by this Constitution; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5, subsection (a) of the Constitution requires that tie votes in the Legislature shall be decided by the Governor; and

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(a) of the Constitution requires laws and resolutions which have been enacted shall remain valid until amended or repealed; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5, subsection (c) of the Constitution provides that the Legislature shall have the power to set its own procedures consistent with the Constitution; and

WHEREAS: Resolution 9L-RS-2023-03-002 – A Bill to Create the Legislative Rules of Procedure Act. (a) At its first Regular Session every two years, the Legislature shall organize and elect a Speaker and an Assistant Speaker from its members.

WHEREAS: The Eleventh Legislature at its hearing on January 10, 2025 held an election for the Speaker and Assistant Speaker; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eleventh Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution does hereby select **Kendricks Sleeper** as the Speaker and **Rector Candy** as the Assistant Speaker, from among its members.



Kendricks Sleeper
Speaker of the Eleventh 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. 11L-RS-2026-01-001 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the First Regular Session of the Eleventh Legislature, by a roll call vote on the 10th day of January 2026, by a vote.

VOTE RECORD:

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Pamela Sutton	✓			
A2	Kendricks Sleeper	✓			
A3	Travis Ruiz	✓			
A4	Rector Candy	✓			
C1	Bruce Whiteman, Jr.	✓			
C2	Milan Roman Nose, Jr.	✓			
C3	Thomas Trout	✓			
C4	Mariah Youngbull	✓			
TOTAL		8			
Passes (X) Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 5, subsection (a) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: "Tie votes in the Legislature shall be decided by the Governor."

		YES	NO	ABSENT
Governor	Reggie Wassana			

Jodi White Buffalo
 Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk

Eleventh Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

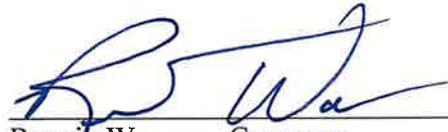
Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: “All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless 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 10th day of January, 2026.



Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:

From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management

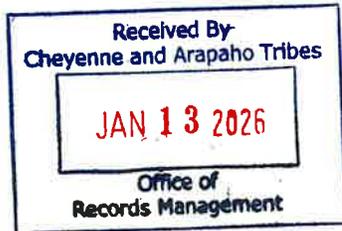
ATTEST:

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. 11L-RS-2026-01-001.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind
Print Name: Cheryl Blind
Title: Director
Date: 1/13/2026

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

