

**ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
SPECIAL SESSION
MAY 28, 2026
CONCHO, OK**

RESOLUTION: A Resolution for the Appropriation of Funds for the Development of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Oklahoma City Building into an Outpatient Treatment, Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP), Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP), Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), and Specialty Pharmacy Facility.

RESOLUTION NO: 11L-SS-2026-0528-006
DATE INTRODUCED: May 22, 2026
SPONSOR: Kendrick Sleeper, District A2
CO-SPONSOR: Rector Candy, District A4

SUBJECT: A Resolution for the Appropriation of Funds for the Development of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Oklahoma City Building into an Outpatient Treatment, Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP), Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP), Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), and Specialty Pharmacy Facility.

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(d) of the Constitution, vests in the Legislature the power to raise revenue and appropriate funds for expenditure; 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 have identified a critical need to expand behavioral health, substance abuse treatment, Medication-Assisted Treatment

(MAT), and pharmacy services for tribal citizens and surrounding communities through the continued development of the Tribes' Oklahoma City facility; and

WHEREAS: The proposed funding will support the completion and development of the remaining portions of the Oklahoma City building into a comprehensive outpatient treatment center that will include outpatient behavioral health services, Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP), Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP), Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) services, and a specialty pharmacy; and

WHEREAS: The expansion of these services will increase access to culturally responsive behavioral health care, substance abuse treatment services, Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), and pharmacy services for tribal members and eligible patients; and

WHEREAS: Revenue generated from the Oklahoma City outpatient treatment, Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP), Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP), Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT), and specialty pharmacy services will go into the Tribes' general fund and any future appropriations can support the future development of the "Living Circle Healing Sanctuary," a long-term wellness initiative designed to create a continuum of care through residential rehabilitation services, sober living homes, workforce and trade school opportunities, and holistic healing services for tribal citizens; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eleventh Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby approves and appropriates funding in the amount of \$1,854,090.00 from the Opioid Settlement Fund for the development of the Oklahoma City outpatient treatment facility, including outpatient behavioral health services, Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT), and a specialty pharmacy, finding that such development is in the best interest of the Tribes, will strengthen long-term healthcare sustainability, and will promote the health, recovery, and overall welfare of tribal citizens while supporting future expansion efforts such as the Living Healing Circle Sanctuary; and authorizes the Governor to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.



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 Resolution No. 11L-SS-2026-0528-006 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in a Special Session of the Eleventh Legislature, by a roll call vote on the 28th day of May 2026.

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, 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 28th day of May, 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-SS-2026-0528-006.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind
Print Name: Cheryl Blind
Title: Director
Date: 6/09/26

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

