

**TO AUTHORIZE THE CHOCTAW NATION TO PARTICIPATE IN AND APPROVE THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LAND BUY-BACK PROGRAM**

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

ANTHONY DILLARD INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO AUTHORIZE, the Chief of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma to express its interest in participating in and approving the implementation of the Land Buy-Back Program for the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma.

WHEREAS, the Chief of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma designates Donna Loper, Director, Land Titles & Records, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, P.O. Box 1210, Durant, OK 74702-1210, (580) 924-8280 ext. 2338, fax (580) 920-3106, as the tribal point of contact (POC) for the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations, with the authority to represent the tribe during the tribe's participation in the Program. Jesse Kemp, Realty Specialist, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, P.O. Box 1210, Durant, OK 74702-1210, (580) 924-8280 ext. 2790; fax (580) 920-3106 as alternative POC in the event the primary PO becomes unable to serve.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 2216(e), Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma request a list of names and mailing address of the owners, information of the location of the tracts, and the percentage of undivided interest(s) held by each owners.

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma acknowledges that the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations may extend offers for fractional land interests on tracts with improvements within the Choctaw Nation boundaries if a lease is recorded in the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) title system. While the improvements themselves will not be acquired their existence will be considered in determining the fair market value of the underlying tract of land. Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma acknowledges that all Program transfers into tribal trust ownership are subject to the terms of existing leases and encumbrances on the land.

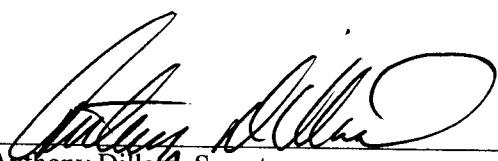
WHEREAS, for tracts within the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma boundaries with improvements but without a lease recorded by the BIA, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma requests that the Program includes offers for fractional interest on such tracts. Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma will provide lease opportunities to individuals living on tracts with improvements but without a recorded lease.

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma has prepared a "Description of Readiness" to demonstrate the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma's plan and preparation for implementation of the Buy-Back Program.

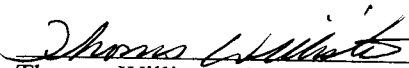
THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, that the Choctaw Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma authorizes and approves the Chief of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, or his designee, to accept this Council Bill as formal expression of interest to participate in the Land Buy-Back Program and Donna Loper as the Tribal Point of Contact and Jessie Kemp as alternate Point of Contact.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that eleven (11) answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on February 13, 2016. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 59 -16 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of eleven (11) members, zero (0) negative votes and zero (0) abstaining.



Anthony Dillard, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

Date: 2-16-16



Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma