

TO APPROVE APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE JOINT VENTURE PROGRAM; NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT; AND CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP THE CHOCTAW NATION REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION  
THOMAS WILLISTON INTRODUCED A COUNCIL BILL

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TO APPROVE application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Services (IHS) for the Joint Venture Program; authorize negotiation and execution of a Joint Venture Agreement; and authorize such appropriations as necessary to construct and equip the Choctaw Nation Regional Medical Center.

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation recognizes the need to improve the accessibility of health care services to Choctaw Nation members and other eligible Indians in the Bryan County Area and the western region of the Choctaw Nation service area, and

WHEREAS, the IHS is opening the application process for the Joint Venture Program in Fiscal Year 2014, whereby the Nation commits to construct and equip the healthcare facility, and the IHS commits to provide operating funds for the facility, and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma desires to apply, and hereby commits to provide resources sufficient to construct and equip a healthcare facility in Durant, Oklahoma under the Joint Venture Program.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED, by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that the Chief or his designee is hereby authorized to apply for the IHS Joint Venture Program for a Choctaw Nation Regional Medical Center in Durant, Oklahoma; that the Chief or his designee is further authorized to negotiate and execute an associated Joint Venture Agreement with IHS; and, that sufficient funding is hereby committed to construct and equip such facility in accordance with the Joint Venture Agreement.

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 ~~12~~ members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on July 12, 2014. I further certify that the foregoing Resolution CB-87 -14 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve ( 12 ) members, zero ( 0 ) negative, and zero ( 0 ) abstaining.

*Thomas Williston*  
Thomas Williston, Secretary  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

*Delton R. Cox*  
Delton Cox, Speaker  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

*Gary Batt*  
Gary Batt, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 7-14-14