

TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY ENHANCEMENT GRANT

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans for the Environmental Regulatory Enhancement grant funding opportunity: HHS-2021-ACF-ANA-NR-1907.

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation (the "Nation") acknowledges the Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE) grant program will be used to create environmental codes, create training documents and outreach materials, and conduct training and outreach to tribal members as well as Nation associates;

WHEREAS, funds from the ERE grant will be used to develop and expand knowledge of tribal codes to all tribal facilities, CNO associates, and members to strengthen the sovereignty and environmental presence of the tribe;

WHEREAS, the Nation is applying for up to \$200,000 in funding from the ERE grant program with a required match of up to \$50,000 for a total budget of \$250,000;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma finds it is in the best interest of the Nation to approve application to the ERE grant program.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval for application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services for Environmental Regulatory Enhancement Grant.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval to allocate up to \$50,000 for a required match if awarded funds from the Environmental Regulatory Enhancement Grant.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Council that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgement that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, in such form and with such terms and provisions as the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, may approve, and to take such other action as he, she or they may deem proper or appropriate, to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing enactments.

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 twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on June 12, 2021. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 72 -21 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.

Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

Gary Battin, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 6.16.21

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**Agency:** Department of Health and Human Services

**CNO Dept:** Environmental Compliance

**Budget:** \$200,000

**Match Required:** \$50,000

**Total Budget:** \$250,000

**Request by Project Director/SEO:** Tracy Horst, Project Director; Tye Baker, Senior Director, Environmental; Daron Sharp, Executive Director, Risk Management; Brad Mallett, SEO