

**TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF MCALESTER AND IDABEL CHILD CARE CENTERS ADDITIONS**

**IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION**

**RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL**

**A COUNCIL BILL**

**TO APPROVE** the allocation of Two Million Eight Hundred Twenty One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$2,821,753.00) for construction costs for an addition to the Idabel Child Care Center and Five Million Twenty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars (\$5,028,759.00) for construction costs for an addition to the McAlester Child Care Center.

**WHEREAS**, in CB-14-21, the Tribal Council approved a total budget of Sixteen Million One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand One Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$16,122,142.00) for the Choctaw Nation Child Care Assistance Program;

**WHEREAS**, in CB-14-21, Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) was set-aside for the construction of a new childcare facility;

**WHEREAS**, an urgent need for childcare has been identified in Idabel and McAlester. See Exhibit A;

**WHEREAS**, proposed additions to the Idabel Child Care Center will accommodate an 24 additional children and proposed additions to the McAlester Child Care Center will accommodate an additional 51 children;

**WHEREAS**, the construction costs of the addition to the Idabel Child Care Center is Two Million Eight Hundred Twenty One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$2,821,753.00);

**WHEREAS**, the construction costs of the addition to the McAlester Child Care Center is Five Million Twenty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars (\$5,028,759.00);

**WHEREAS**, the total construction costs of the child care additions is Seven Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$7,850,512); and

**WHEREAS**, the child care center additions will support tribal member families and others in the community by providing quality child care and allowing parents to live and work in the Choctaw Nation.

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Choctaw Nation to approve \$2,821,753.00 for construction of an addition to the Idabel Child Care Center and \$5,028,759.00 for the construction of an addition to the McAlester Child Care Center, for a total allocation of \$7,850,512.

**THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by the Tribal Council that this Bill be cited as approval to allocate Two Million Eight Hundred Twenty One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$2,821,753.00) for the construction cost of an addition to the Idabel Child Care Center.

**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, by the Tribal Council that this Bill be cited as approval to allocate Five Million Twenty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$5,028,759.00) for construction costs of an addition to the McAlester Child Care Center.

**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED** by the Tribal Council that this Bill be cited as approval that a total of Seven Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$7,850,512) of the Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) set aside for the construction of a new childcare facility in CB-14-21, be used for the construction costs of the childcare additions in McAlester and Idabel.

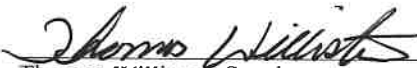
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**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED** by the Council that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgement that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, 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 July 10, 2021. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB-78 -21 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero ( 0 ) negative votes, and zero ( 0 ) abstaining.*

  
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Ronald Perry, Secretary  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Thomas Williston, Speaker  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Gary Patton, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 7-13-21

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**Purpose/Need of Council Bill:** This bill approves funding for construction costs related to the additions to the Idabel and McAlester child care centers. In CB-14-21, \$10,000,000 was set aside for construction costs of a new child care center (location was to be determined). An existing need for childcare has been identified in both the Idabel and McAlester areas. This bill approves \$2,821,753.00 for construction of an addition to the Idabel Child Care Center and \$5,028,759.00 for the construction of an addition to the McAlester Child Care Center, for a total allocation of \$7,850,512. The funds for costs of these additions will come from the \$10,000,000 allocated for a new child care facility in CB-14-21.

**Title of Council Bill: TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF MCALESTER AND IDABLE CHILD CARE CENTERS ADDITIONS**

**Agency:** Child Care Assistance Program

**Budget:** \$7,850,512

**Request by Project Director:** Teresa Jackson, SEO, Tribal Services,