

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION OF ROBIN COUNCE TO SERVE ON THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR NATIVE AMERICAN EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COUNCIL

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL RESOLUTION

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION

TO APPROVE a Resolution supporting the nomination of Robin Counce to serve as a member of the United States Department of Labor Native American Employment and Training Council as a representative of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor solicits nominations for its Native American Employment and Training Council;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article VII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation"), the Chief has the power to "establish and appoint committees, members and delegates to represent the Choctaw Nation with the advice and consent of the Tribal Council.";

WHEREAS, Chief Gary Batton nominates Robin Counce, Choctaw Nation Senior Director of Career Development, to serve as a member of the U.S. Department of Native American Employment and Training Council to represent the Nation and Indian Country as a whole;

WHEREAS, Ms. Counce's longstanding service and leadership in the Choctaw Nation's education programs, her dedication to training all individuals, and her work to secure job creation and economic development in the Choctaw Nation make her an excellent fit for this role;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma supports efforts to build and grow our Nation-to-Nation relationship with the United States of America, grow our relationship and partnership with the U.S. Department of Labor, as well as build strong relationships with other tribal nations, states, and training and educational institutions to grow our economy;

WHEREAS, Ms. Counce is highly qualified and equipped to serve on this council due to her lifelong commitment to education. Ms. Counce has worked for decades at developing future leaders on the Choctaw Nation Reservation. She has worked at the local high school level, worked with the state and area training partners, and has now been in her role with the Nation for over a decade. She is knowledgeable and adept at administering federal programs and working collaboratively with the U.S. Department of Labor to serve tribal members' training and employment needs. Ms. Counce has utilized her background and expertise to help many tribal members receive counseling, job training, and to hone their skills to go to work for the Choctaw Nation, tribally owned businesses, and others in the business community. Ms. Counce provides a valuable voice for our tribal members currently as a member of the U.S. Department of Labor Native American Employment and Training Council, and will continue this diligent and dedicated service upon reappointment; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma has determined it is in the best interest of the Nation to support the nomination of Robin Counce to serve on the United States Department of Native American Employment and Training Council as a representative of the Nation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Resolution be cited as approval for supporting the nomination of Robin Counce to serve on the United States Department of Native American Employment and Training Council.

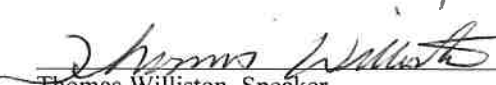
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CERTIFICATION

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) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on October 14, 2023. I further certify that the foregoing Council Resolution CR- 02 -24 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of eleven (11) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.



Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Gary Patton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 10-17-23

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Purpose/Need of Council Resolution: The purpose of this Resolution is to support the nomination of Robin Counce to serve as a member of the U.S. Department of Labor Native American Employment and Training Council as a representative of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. Ms. Counce has utilized her background and expertise to lead and administer federal programs for job training and is the Senior Director of these programs for the Nation. Ms. Counce will serve the interests of the Nation well and represent the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and Indian Country well. This nomination will further the Nation's strategic goals of supporting service delivery as well as promoting and exercising sovereignty by giving the Nation a nationwide voice in policy matters and achieve the Nation's legislative goal of Choctaw Tribal Members appointed to political positions.

**Title of Council Resolution: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION OF ROBIN COUNCE
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Agency: Government Relations

Budget: N/A

Match Required: N/A

Request by: John Hobbs, SEO Communications

Vita

Robin E. Counce, M. Ed., GCDF, GCDF-I

1320 Remington East Circle

Durant, OK 74701

(580) 380-1290

Career Profile:

An experienced courteous professional with a strong work ethic and a thorough understanding of workforce and economic development. Experienced communicator who clearly conveys information in both speaking and writing to local, state, and federal audiences. Demonstrated success in gathering research from a variety of sources to compile performance-based professional documents. From training and experience, excels in:

- Education program design for all levels of Career and Technology programs.
- Tribal services career education program development, implementation, and evaluation.
- Working with federal agencies and assisting program directors adhering to federal grant regulations.

Education:

M.Ed. Native American Leadership Completed 2018

Southeastern Oklahoma State University

M.Ed. Education Administration Completed 1998

Southeastern Oklahoma State University

BS Business Administration Completed 1988

Southeastern Oklahoma State University

Vocational Education Endorsement Completed 1996

University of Central Oklahoma

Certifications:

Oklahoma Marketing Education Teacher Certification

GCDF: Global Career Development Facilitator

GCDF-I: Global Career Development Facilitator Instructor

Gold Level Career Readiness Certificate

Honors:

Member: US DOL's Secretary's Native American Employment and Training Council (NAETC)

Presidents Honor Roll – Southeastern Oklahoma State University

Dean's Honor Roll – University of Central Oklahoma

Alpha Chi Honor Society

OKACTE Outstanding Educator of the Year

OKACTE Outstanding New Teacher of the Year

Durant Public Schools Teacher of the Year – 2 years

Winn Dixie's National DECA Advisor of the Year

Professional Affiliations:

NAWPD – National Association of Workforce Development Professionals

NACE – National Association of Colleges and Employers

NCDA – National Career Development Association

ACTE – Association of Career and Technical Education

OKACTE -Oklahoma Association of Career and Technical Education

OMET - Oklahoma Marketing Education Teachers

DECA – State Advisor and Alumni Member

Professional Experience:

- Senior Director – Education Careers 2007 to present

Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, Member Services: Education

- o Supervise Career Development, PL 102-477 Employment Training Service (WIOA), Vocational Development, Vocational Rehabilitation, and Adult Education Programs.

- State Program Specialist – Business and Marketing Education 2005-2007

Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education

- o Administrator to approximately 100 Marketing Education programs in Oklahoma including both Secondary and Post-Secondary schools.

- Oklahoma State DECA Advisor 2005-2007

Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education

- o Advisor to Oklahoma DECA State CTE Officers; lead to approximately 100 Marketing

Professional Experience (cont.)

Education CTE DECA student organizations.

- Marketing Education Instructor 1994-2005

Durant Public Schools

o 10th – 12th grade secondary students

- Micro-Loan Administrator 1990-1994

Rural Enterprises of Oklahoma

o Responsible for reviewing, presenting, and approving the Small Business Administration's micro-loans to Oklahoma entrepreneurs as well as coach for business success.

References: Available upon Request