

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION OF TASHA MITCHELL TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE OKLAHOMA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITY REVIEW BOARD

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 Tasha Mitchell, Choctaw Nation Tribal Member and Senior Manager of Project EMPOWER, to serve as a member of the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board.

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, the Attorney General of the State of Oklahoma solicits nominations for members of the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board;

WHEREAS, Chief Gary Batton nominates Tasha Mitchell, Choctaw Nation Tribal Member and Senior Manager of Project EMPOWER, to serve as a member of the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board to represent the Nation, Choctaw Tribal Members, our communities, and Indian Country advocating for victims of Domestic Violence in Indian Country;

WHEREAS, Ms. Mitchell's experience and expertise, as well as her commitment to serving the Nation and its Tribal Members, make her well qualified for this role;

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma supports efforts to build and grow the Nation's relationship with the Attorney General of the State of Oklahoma as well as other tribal, state, and local governments involved in preventing domestic violence and advocating for victims;

WHEREAS, Ms. Mitchell is highly qualified and equipped to serve on this committee due to her commitment to serving our Tribal Members, and she has served victims on the Nation's Reservation for more than 15 years. Ms. Mitchell also has the support of her peers from the Native Alliance Against Violence to serve in this position. Ms. Mitchell is well-versed in federal and state programming and funding to support victims of intimate partner violence, as well as services for victims of all crimes; 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 Ms. Tasha Mitchell to serve on the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board as a representative of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma.

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 Tasha Mitchell to serve on the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board.

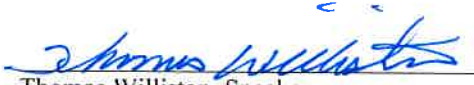
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CERTIFICATION


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 twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on May 11, 2024. I further certify that the foregoing Council Resolution CR- 18 -24 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.



Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 5-16-24

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Purpose/Need of Council Resolution: The purpose of this resolution is to support the nomination of Tasha Mitchell, Choctaw Nation Tribal Member and Senior Manager of Project EMPOWER, to serve as a member of the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board. Ms. Mitchell is highly qualified and equipped to serve on this board due to her commitment to serving Choctaw Nation Tribal Members who have been victims of crime, especially those who have been affected by intimate partner violence. Ms. Mitchell's position on the board would give the Nation a voice statewide and will also fulfill the Nation's strategic goal of protecting and promoting tribal sovereignty by placing Choctaw Tribal Members and Choctaw Nation leaders in political positions. This Council Bill is recommended for review by the following Standing Committees of the Choctaw Nation Tribal Council: **Member Services Committee.**

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Agency: Government Relations

Budget: N/A

Match Required: N/A

Request by: John Hobbs, SEO Communications

TASHA MITCHELL

OBJECTIVE My professional objective is to be proficient using the leadership skills I have acquired. I would bring a courteous, professional attitude and effective leadership to the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma.

SKILLS & ABILITIES

Accounts Payable/Receivable	Account Reconciliations
Staff Training	Account Management
Customer Service	Human Resources Management
Client Relations	Web Design
Court Advocacy	Providing assistance to victims
Developing contacts with state and tribal agencies	
Budget Management	
Proficient in all windows operating systems, Microsoft Word, Excel, and QuickBooks	

EXPERIENCE

- Excellent interpersonal skills, phone manner, and office etiquette
- Liaison between management, employees, and clients to ensure proper lines of communication in addressing problems and issues requiring immediate attention and resolve
- Manage Account Payable/Receivable and expense control procedures including bank and account reconciliations, cash receipts, disbursements, billings, invoicing and daily bank deposits
- Complete reports to funding source
- Extensive Victim Assistance Training
- Court Advocacy

LEADERSHIP

I am currently coordinating the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Sexual Assault Response Team. I currently serve as Vice President of the Native Alliance Against Violence Board of Directors. I have served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Rattan Livestock Booster Club, Secretary/Treasurer of the Rattan Summer League, and Secretary/Treasurer of the Southeastern Oklahoma Junior Rodeo Association.

I am currently Sr. Manager for Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Project EMPOWER, Project HOUSE, FY23 TVSSA Formula Grant, and Essential Life Skills and have held this position for 11 years.

WORK HISTORY

Senior Manager	Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, Project EMPOWER	5/12- present
Advocate	Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, Project EMPOWER	10/09- 5/12
Business Coach	Little Dixie Community Action Agency	7/08- 9/09
Receptionist	Diamond T Trailer Mfg. Co.	6/03-6/08

Tasha Mitchell is a member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and is currently employed by the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Outreach Services as a Senior Manager. Tasha began her work in victim services in 2009 as an advocate for the Project EMPOWER program.

Tasha currently oversees three Federally funded programs that provide direct services to victims of Intimate Partner Violence and one Federally funded program that provides direct services to victims of all types of crime.

Tasha coordinates the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) and has overseen the creation and implementation of the Choctaw Nation Coordinated Community Response Team, which falls under the obligations of Project HOUSE that Tasha oversees.

Tasha currently serves as Vice President for the Native Alliance Against Violence Board of Directors and has recently been nominated to serve as a member of the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board.