

**TO AUTHORIZE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, INDIAN HEALTH
SERVICE, FOR THE DOCTOR'S QUARTERS PROGRAM**

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

JAMES DRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO AUTHORIZE the negotiation and execution of a Choctaw Nation/IHS contract regarding Doctor's Quarters; and

TO AUTHORIZE funding of the Doctor's Quarters program from appropriate and related IHS grant funds.

WHEREAS the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation") recognizes the need to improve the accessibility of adequate living quarters for doctors and nurses while they are providing services to Choctaw Nation members and other eligible Indians and employees at the Talihina Hospital campus and surrounding area within the Choctaw Nation Reservation;

WHEREAS the Council is the duly authorized governing body of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma;

WHEREAS the Indian Health Service has provided notification of funds available to construct, replace and expand hospital quarters which are used to house Choctaw Nation healthcare providers. This is due to the combination of advanced age and deteriorating conditions of the existing facilities and the remote, rural location with minimal amount of available housing in the area;

WHEREAS the Choctaw Nation has the authority under Public Law 93-638 and has determined it is in the best interest of the Choctaw Nation to enter into a Title V Construction Project Agreement for construction of doctor's quarters for the improvement of the accessibility of adequate living quarters for doctors and nurses while they are providing services to Choctaw Nation citizens and other eligible Indians and employees at the Talihina Hospital;

WHEREAS the Nation agrees to assume all Federal responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 [42 USC 4321 et seq.], division A of subtitle III of title 54, United States Code [54 USCS §§ 300101 et seq.], and related provisions of law that would apply if the Secretary of Health and Human Services were to undertake this project (25 USC §5389 (a));

WHEREAS Todd Hallmark, Executive Officer Health, is hereby designated as the certifying officer to represent the Choctaw Nation and assume the status of responsible federal official under laws; and

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WHEREAS the Nation accepts the jurisdiction of the Federal court for the limited purpose of enforcement of the responsibilities of the responsible Federal official under such environmental laws.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that the Public Law 93-638, Subpart N Construction Project Agreement for construction of the Talihina Doctor's Quarters is hereby authorized and approved.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that Todd Hallmark, Executive Officer of Health is authorized to negotiate and execute the agreement and any modifications, and be it finally resolved, that the Choctaw Nation authorizes the Executive Officer of Health to execute all subsequent modifications necessary for completion of Talihina Doctor's Quarters Project and to make such modifications contingent upon funding available from the Indian Health Service, acting on behalf of the Secretary.

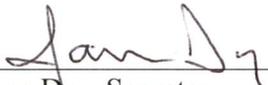
BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that the Nation accepts the jurisdiction of the Federal court for the limited purpose of enforcement of the responsibilities of the Federal official responsible under such environmental laws.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED the Nation agrees to assume all Federal responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 [42 USC 4321 et seq.], division A of subtitle III of title 54, United States Code [54 USCS §§ 300101 et seq.], and related provisions of law that would apply if the Secretary of Health and Human Services were to undertake this project (25 USC §5389 (a));

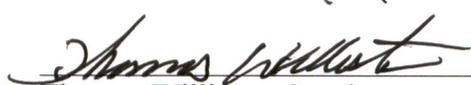
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CERTIFICATION

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 () members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the February Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on February 14, 2026. I further certify that the foregoing Resolution CB- 28 -26 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of eleven (11) members, zero (0) negative votes and zero (0) abstaining.



James Dry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 02-17-26