

RESOLUTION

Establishing Criteria for Wichita Executive Committee Stipends

- WHEREAS,** the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita, Keechi, Waco, and Tawakoni) (the "Tribe") possesses substantial inherent sovereign powers and has exercised those powers since time immemorial; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe has a duly established Tribal Government recognized by the Secretary of the Interior; and
- WHEREAS,** Article III of the Wichita Governing Resolution affirms that the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Council is the Tribe's supreme governing body; and
- WHEREAS,** the Council may transact any other business which may come REGULARLY before it at its annual meeting; and
- WHEREAS,** Article V of the Wichita Governing Resolution authorizes the Wichita Executive Committee to transact business and otherwise speak or act on behalf of the Tribe in all matters on which the Tribe is empowered to act now or in the future; and
- WHEREAS,** the Wichita Executive Committee currently receives stipends for meetings; and
- WHEREAS,** currently there is no criteria for Wichita Executive Committee to receive stipends and therefore Committee Members can join the meeting for only a few minutes and receive as stipend for participating; and
- WHEREAS,** where there are no rules for the stipends and it creates an unfairness to other elected officials who regularly attend meetings and perform other duties related to being members of the Wichita Executive Committee and in their capacities as officers; and
- WHEREAS,** the Wichita Tribal Council desires that rules be put in place prior to the next election creating rules for which Wichita Executive Committee may receive stipends so that

all those that are running for office in the July 2020 elections will know in advance any rules that may be established for Committee Members to be effective with the July 2020 elections; and

WHEREAS, the Wichita Tribal Council requests that current Wichita Executive Committee Members make every effort to be available for the entire Executive Committee meeting to receive a stipends.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the will of the Council of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes that the Wichita Executive Committee establish criteria for Wichita Executive Committee Stipends prior to the July 2020 elections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be continuing unless and until rescinded by separate action of this body, and shall supersede any and all prior resolutions or Executive Committee actions to the extent such actions conflict with the authorities granted by this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes of Oklahoma on **July 20, 2019**, in Anadarko, Oklahoma, by a vote of _____ for, _____ against, with _____ abstentions and a quorum being present.

Attest:

Approved:

Myles Stephenson, Jr.
Secretary

Terri Parton
President