

RESOLUTION

Directing the Wichita Executive Committee to Authorize Funds in the FY-2020 Budget for a Home Improvement Program to Include Storm Shelters

- 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 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,** there have been repeated request by tribal members that the Home Improvement Program be reimplemented; and
- WHEREAS,** the Storm Shelter Program was also a program that was of benefit to Wichita Tribal Members and due to the storm season this year there continues to be a need for the program; and
- WHEREAS,** the Wichita Tribal Council desires that the program be open to those owning their homes that are not elders that may need repair related to health and safety with the understanding that tribal elders would have first priority and that only a limited number of homes could be done each year; and

WHEREAS, the Wichita Tribal Council desires that the Wichita Executive Committee authorize funds in the FY-2020 budget for a Home Improvement Program and a Storm Shelter Program limited to homes within the Tribes' jurisdictional boundaries for FY-2020 due to limitations on staff at the need to build the program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the will of the Council of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes that the Wichita Executive Committee authorize funds in the FY-2020 budget for a Home Improvement Program and Storm Shelter Program with the stipulations listed above and other criteria as the Wichita Executive Committee deems appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be continuing unless and until rescinded by separate action of this body, and shall supersede any and all prior resolutions or actions to the extent such actions conflict with the authorities granted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