



Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

RESOLUTION #19-48
JUNE 25, 2019

RESOLUTION

- Whereas,** The Pawnee Business Council is the supreme governing body of the Pawnee Nation and is authorized to conduct business on behalf of the Pawnee Nation in accordance with Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Pawnee Nation Constitution and By-Laws; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Business Council met in special session on June 25, 2019; at the Pawnee Nation Resource Complex, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma is federally recognized tribal entity, as verified in the Federal Register/Vol. 84, No. 22/Friday, February 1, 2019/Notices and based upon this status is eligible to apply for funding, as required and
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Nation supports and approves the proposed submittal to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for the funding opportunity titles "*Economic Development Feasibility Study Funding from the Native American Business Development Institute*" for the Fiscal Year 2019; and
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Nation desires to exercise their sovereignty to utilize land and natural resources on developing an opportunity for our community partners to work together; ensuring a more equitable distribution of technology to invest economic growth in our region to reduce disparity in our region; and
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Nation tends to pursue this economic opportunity, based upon the technical assistance and results provided, this will ensure a more equitable distribution of connectivity that will benefit economic growth; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation plans to use consulting services that are experts in the communication industry. Through our procurement policy, Pawnee Nation will request an RFP/RFQ for the proposed project. The consultants will conduct a thorough assessment and feasibility to define the current method of execution needed to analyze, select and implement the best solutions to improve telecommunication connectivity across our entire region so that our network(s) are an asset for community and economic development; and
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Nation will share the results from the feasibility study on the Pawnee Nation website, social media sites, the newsletter *Chaticks si Chaticks*, and will have paper documentation for our business corporation and any members wishing to view it at the Pawnee Nation offices.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approves and supports the proposed submittal for an "*Economic Development Feasibility Study Funding from the Native American Business Development Institute*" an opportunity provided by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). This proposal will help develop a telecommunication entity for economic opportunity and growth with the use of professional consultants. All information to be found with this feasibility study will be available to the public.

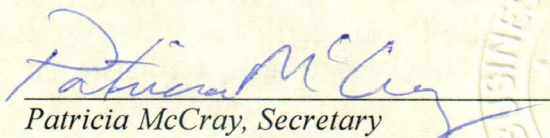
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the Pawnee Business Council President, Vice-President and/or Executive Director to take all actions necessary to fulfill the mandates of this Resolution.

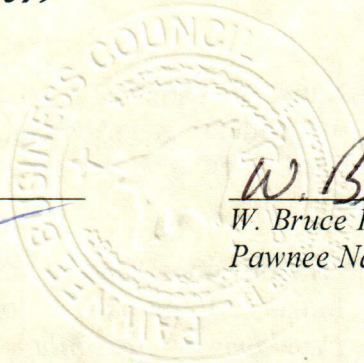
CERTIFICATION

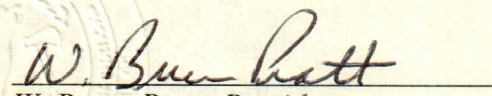
I, Patricia McCray, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 25th day of June 2019 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members, of whom 6 were present, 2 absent, compromising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of 5 for, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 1 not voting.

Signed this 25th day of June 2019

ATTEST:


Patricia McCray, Secretary
Pawnee Nation Business Council




W. Bruce Pratt, President
Pawnee Nation Business Council