



Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

RESOLUTION #20-44
MAY 5, 2020

Proclamation

- 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 May 5, 2020, at the Pawnee Nation Building 64 Conference Room, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation acknowledges that the World Health Organization (WHO) had declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 Coronavirus a pandemic; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation also acknowledges that the President of United States and the Governor of the State of Oklahoma declared a State of Emergency due to COVID-19 pandemic; and
- Whereas,** the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention had issued the Revised Interim Guidance for the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) on March 15, 2020 recommending a number of factors to be considered in postponing or canceling mass gatherings, including those large gatherings, particularly those of more than 10 people, offer more opportunities for person-to-person contact and therefore pose greater risk of COVID-19 transmission; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Business Council found and declared that conditions affecting public health, welfare, education, and employment had arisen with and throughout the jurisdiction of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic; and
- Whereas,** the COVID-19 resulted in undue human suffering and hardship and safety, health, welfare and well-being of the citizens and local economy of Pawnee Nation; and
- Whereas,** an emergency declaration was declared and implemented all locally available resources to respond to the COVID-19 virus within the tribe, state and federal government to organize and respond, mitigate and alleviate the effects of this disaster and to meet the needs of the situation to protect Pawnee Nation and its People;
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation Business Council declared that the *State of Emergency* for the Pawnee Nation due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 Pandemic, also known as the coronavirus, shall be in effect until such time that COVID-19 has been contained and the Pawnee People may resume their normal activities.
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation Business Council is amending the *State of Emergency* for the Pawnee Nation to allow for re-opening and recovery through a phased approach so that the gaming businesses operated by the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation may resume activities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approve the Proclamation for the gaming businesses operated by the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation may resume activities per the proposed re-opening plan as of May 15, 2020.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that this Proclamation shall be effective on May 15, 2020.

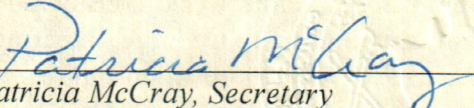
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that this state of emergency shall be amended to allow re-opening and recovery through a phased approach and that the gaming businesses operated by the Pawnee Tribal Development Corporation may resume activities per the proposed re-opening plan (ADDENDUM A) .

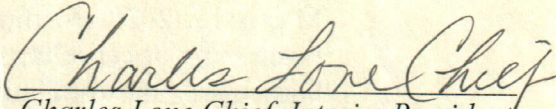
CERTIFICATION

I, Patricia McCray, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 5th day of May 2020 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of four (4) members and four (4) vacant positions, of whom 4 were present, 0 absent, comprising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of 3 for, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 1 not voting.

Signed this 5th day of May 2020

ATTEST:


Patricia McCray, Secretary
Pawnee Nation Business Council


Charles Lone Chief, Interim President
Pawnee Nation Business Council

