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 Articles IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Pawnee Nation Constitution and By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, the Pawnee Business Council met in special session on July 13, 2021, at the Pawnee Nation Room Chief Center, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and

WHEREAS, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma is a federally recognized Indian Tribe and legally authorized as a contracting entity; and

WHEREAS, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma requests to enter into an Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, Title 1, Section 102, Public Law 93-638 contract with the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma desires to plan, conduct, operate, and administer the programs, functions, services and activities (PFSAs) identified in 25 CFR §256 Housing Improvement Program regulations as applied to the American Rescue Plan Housing Improvement Program including certain regulations being waived by the Assistant Secretary; and

WHEREAS, the Pawnee Nation has identified a need to provide substantial housing improvement to the aging elder population that live within the Pawnee Nation’s jurisdictional area.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approve the request to operate and administer the American Rescue Plan Housing Improvement Program with the Department of Interior, acting through the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Pawnee Business Council does hereby authorize the President, Executive Director and the Grants and Contracts Office to review, negotiate and execute the contract and any modifications and sign required documents thereof throughout the existence of the American Rescue Plan Housing Improvement Program unless and until rescinded by separate action of this body.

CERTIFICATION

I, George Gardipe, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 13th day of July 2021 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members of whom 8 were present, 0 absent, comprising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 0 not voting.

Signed this 13th day of July 2021

ATTEST: George Gardipe, Secretary
Pawnee Nation Business Council

Walter R. Echo-Hawk, President
Pawnee Nation Business Council