

Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

RESOLUTION #21-53 AUGUST 24, 2021

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 Regular session on August 24, 2021,

on Pawnee Nation Microsoft TEAMS, duly authorized, with a quorum

present; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation and its citizen's have been disproportionately affected

by the COVID-19 Pandemic as evidenced by rising food cost, food

scarcity, and negative COVID related economic impacts; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation and it's citizens must achieve food sovereignty to

mitigate the negative food insecurities;

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation must purchase land in order to produce a food source

for its citizens in order for cattle to be cropped; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council, based on the recommendation of the

COVID Committee, recommends an appropriation from the PN American Rescue Plan Act Budget in the amount of \$792,000 for the ARPA Food

Insecurity Program; and

Whereas, these funds should be automatically transferred to the Pawnee Nation or in

the special account set up for allocation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approve the ARPA Pawnee Business Grant Program in the amount of \$792,000.

CERTIFICATION

I, George Gardipe, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 24th day of August 2021 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members of whom <u>8</u> were present, <u>0</u> absent, comprising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of <u>7</u> for, <u>0</u> against, <u>0</u> abstaining, and 1 not voting.

Signed this 24th day of August 2021
ATTEST:

George Gardipe, Secretary

Pawnee Nation Business Council

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