



Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

RESOLUTION #22-18
FEBRUARY 15, 2022

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 virtual session on February 15, 2022, on Pawnee Nation Microsoft TEAMS, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation and its citizens have been disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 pandemic as evidenced by closure of facilities, loss of jobs, sudden changes to our social lives, inability to access education, food insecurity, experience of unsafe home environments, and juggling multiple responsibilities in the midst of much uncertainty and rapid changes in our environment. In addition, the struggle of making sense of situations of being exposure and the unknown risk of spreading the virus resulting our community to experience social and emotional implications from this pandemic. These challenges are presenting feelings of sadness, despair, anxiety, and stress which increase mental health illnesses and substance abuse in our community; and
- Whereas,** By Resolution 21-51 the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma supported the development the facility and program services for a Pawnee Nation Behavioral Health Facility; and
- Whereas,** An organization should be formed for the purpose of carrying out any and all lawful activities, including but not limited to (1) exercising all of the powers allowed by the Pawnee Nation Limited Liability Company Act; and (2) developing, constructing and operating mental health facilities and programs on a profit basis; and
- Whereas,** The name of this organization is proposed to be Pawnee Nation Mental Health, LLC.; however, it should be authorized to operate with a "doing business as" name; and
- Whereas,** Pursuant to the Pawnee Nation Limited Liability Company Act, PBC Resolution #19-09, (04-09-2019), incorporated herewith are Articles of Operation and Articles of Organization for Pawnee Nation Mental Health, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby authorize the President, Vice-President and Treasurer to incorporate an organization to be known as the Pawnee Nation Mental Health, LLC under the Pawnee Nation Limited Liability Company Act.

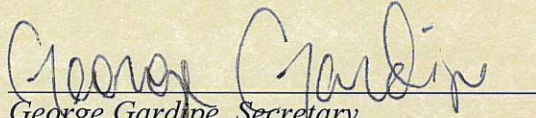
FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED the Pawnee Business Council does hereby (1) approve the Articles of Operation and Articles of Organization; (2) authorize the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma to be the Managing Member of the Organization; and (3) authorize the Pawnee Business Council to exercise Managing Member duties and powers of the Articles of Operation on behalf of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma pursuant to authority delegated by the Pawnee Business Council.

CERTIFICATION

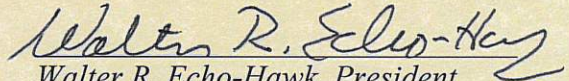
I, George Gardipe, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 15th day of February 2022 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members, of whom 8 were present, 0 absent, comprising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 1 not voting.

Signed this 15th day of February 2022

ATTEST:



George Gardipe, Secretary
Pawnee Nation Business Council



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