

#### **Comanche Business Committee Regular Monthly Meeting**

#### DATE: April 5, 2025 TIME: 10:00 AM

#### CODE TALKER CONFERENCE ROOM

I. Call to Order: Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

#### II. Roll Call

- (\_\_) Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman
- (\_\_) Diana Doyebi-Sovo, Vice Chairwoman
- (\_) Robert Tippeconnie, Secretary/Treasurer
- (\_\_) Hazel Tahsequah, Committeewoman No. 1
- (\_) Ross Kahrahrah, Committeeman No. 2
- () Alice Kassanavoid, Committeewoman No. 3
- (\_\_) Jordan Fox, Committeeman No. 4

#### Invocation

- February Meeting Minutes, February Special Meeting Minutes, March Meeting Minutes, March Special Meeting Minutes
- Chairman Report
- Vice-Chairman Report
- Secretary/Treasurer Report
- Tribal Administrator Report
- Tribal Attorney Report
- Travel Report- CBC 2 and Enterprise

#### III. New Business

Resolution No. 52-2025- Enrollment Eligible Resolution List 1363 Minors
Resolution No. 53-2025- Enrollment Eligible Resolution List 1364 Adults
Resolution No. 54-2025- Enrollment Ineligible Resolution List 1365 Does Not Meet BQ
Resolution No. 55-2025- Transportation Resolution Dump Truck G&T
Resolution No. 56-2025- Transportation Resolution Long Range Plan Cache
Resolution No. 57-2025- CN Entertainment Master Planning Resolution
Resolution No. 58-2025- Tax Commission Resolution to Remove Former Tax Administrator
Resolution No. 59-2025- Tax Commission Resolution Updated Comanche Hemp Plan
Resolution No. 60-2025- CN Gaming Commission Resolution to Add Commissioners to CNGC Accounts
Resolution No. 61-2025- CBC Resolution Adopting New HR Policies
Resolution No. 62-2025- CBC Resolution Prohibiting Comanche Academy from Using Tribal Funds for Attorneys' Fees
Resolution No. 63-2025- CBC Resolution Proposing Constitutional Amendments
Resolution No. 64-2025- CBC Resolution Appointing Audrey Whitefeather to Comanche Nation Housing Authority
Resolution No. 65-2025- CBC Resolution Nominating J. Mihesuah and C. Pewewardy to Haskell Board of Reg.
Resolution No. 66-2025- CBC Resolution Amending the Election Ordinance

#### IV. Old Business

V. Executive Session

#### VI. Tribal Council Remarks Thomas Narcomey

VII. Adjourned



## **April Monthly Meeting**

#### AGENDA STRAW POLL

Pursuant to the CBC Meeting Procedures, an agenda-setting work session was held April 1, 2025. The results of the straw poll are below. Votes are for whether an item should be tentatively placed on the April CBC monthly meeting agenda. The votes are nonbinding and the agenda may be amended at the CBC April monthly meeting pursuant to the CBC Meeting Procedures and Robert's Rules of Order.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Eligible Resolution List 1363 Minors (Sponsor: Enrollment)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 2. Eligible Resolution List 1364 Adults (Sponsor: Enrollment)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 3. Ineligible Resolution List 1365 Does Not Meet BQ (Sponsor: Enrollment)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 4. <u>Resolution for Dump Truck Gravel and Tinhorn (Sponsor: Transportation)</u>
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 5. <u>Resolution for Long Range Plan Cache (Sponsor: Transportation)</u>
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 6. <u>Resolution for Master Planning (Sponsor: CN Entertainment)</u>
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None



- c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 7. <u>Resolution to Rescind Resolution 145-19 (Sponsor: Prevention & Recovery)</u> a. TABLED
- 8. <u>Resolution to Remove Former Tax Administrator (Sponsor: Tax Commission)</u>
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 9. Resolution to Update Hemp Plan (Sponsor: Tax Commission)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 10. Resolution to Add Commissioners to CNGC Accounts (Sponsor: CNGC)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 11. Resolution to Adopt New HR Policies (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 12. Resolution Prohibiting Comanche Academy from Using Tribal Funds for Attorney's Fees (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 13. Resolution Proposing Constitutional Amendments (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid (Attachment A), Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid (Attachment B)
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)



- 14. Resolution to Appoint Audrey Whitefeather to Comanche Nation Housing Authority (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)
- 15. Resolution Nominating J. Mihesuah and C. Pewewardy to Haskell Board of Regents (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent), Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid
- 16. Resolution Amending the Election Ordinance (Sponsor: CBC)
  - a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
  - b. Oppose: None
  - c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)

#### **Old Business**

#### **Executive Session**

#### **Tribal Council Remarks**

Thomas Narcomey

- a. In favor: Secretary/Treasurer Robert Tippeconnie, Committeeperson No. 1 Hazel Tahsequah, Committeeperson No. 3 Alice Kassanavoid, Committeeperson No. 4 Jordan Fox
- b. Oppose: None
- c. Abstain: Vice-Chair Diana Gail Doyebi-Sovo (absent), Committeeperson No. 2 Ross Brandt Kahrahrah (absent)



## RESOLUTION

#### List No. 1363

- **WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee has been presented a list containing applicants who have filed for membership with the Comanche Nation; and
- WHEREAS, the list includes the names of applicants who have been verified as eligible pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c) Membership, of the Constitution of the Comanche Nation which states "All descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provision of Section 1(a) of the Article, having one-eighth (1/8) or more degree of Comanche Indian Blood;" and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Comanche Business Committee accept the verification of eligibility for the applicants as shown on List No. 1363 by the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office notify the eligible applicant by letter of their approved membership and further that the enrolled member be provided information concerning their enrollment, including name, date of birth, roll number, social security number and degree of Comanche blood.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Code Talker Room located within the Comanche Nation Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstentions, a quorum being present.

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman

ATTEST:



Constitution and By-Laws, "The membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: All the Descendants of allottees **eligible for membership** under the provisions of Section 1 (a) of the Article, having one-eight (1/8) or more degree of COMANCHE Indian Blood."

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Name	Sex	DOB	BQ	STATE
Alligood, Michael Brooks				
Bertucci, Cecilio Immanual				
Bertucci, Lodovico Anthony	Leigh			
Carroll, Brooks Jay				
Casey, Alba Jean Diane				
Cleveland, Katherine Scarlet	t			
Cruz, Motlee Aizen Dean				
Hart, Hunter Romero				
Heard, Madden Monroe Rer	iee			
Jenkins, Crew Nickell				
Johnson, Ivy Leigh				
Littlechief, Aulora Kairi				
Littlechief, Draven Paul				
Moore, Houston Wade				



Constitution and By-Laws, "The membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: All the Descendants of allottees **eligible for membership** under the provisions of Section 1 (a) of the Article, having one-eight (1/8) or more degree of COMANCHE Indian Blood."

	- Eligible	Minors -	*(	ONLINE FORMAT <sup>•</sup>
Name	Sex	DOB	BQ	STATE
Nolasco Red Elk, Celicia Nina Amara				
Tate, Kaia Dawn-Tooahimpah				
Valdez, Adanis Greyson				
Yarbrough, Ayme Elohim				



## RESOLUTION

#### List No. 1364

- **WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee has been presented a list containing **adult** applicants who have filed for membership with the Comanche Nation; and
- WHEREAS, the list includes the names of applicants who have been verified as eligible pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c) Membership, of the Constitution of the Comanche Nation which states "All descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provision of Section 1(a) of the Article, having one-eighth (1/8) or more degree of Comanche Indian Blood;" and
- **WHEREAS**, the list of applicants is considered **adults but have not been enrolled in any other tribe** and the documentary evidence is on file with the Enrollment Office; and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Comanche Business Committee accept the verification of eligibility for the applicants as shown on List No. 1364 by the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office notify the eligible applicant by letter of their approved membership and further that the enrolled member be provided information concerning their enrollment, including name, date of birth, roll number, social security number and degree of Comanche blood.

## CERTIFICATION

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Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman

ATTEST:



Determined to be eligible pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c), Membership of the Comanche Constitution and By-Laws, "The membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: All the Descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provisions of Section 1 (a) of the Article, having one-eight (1/8) or more degree COMANCHE Indian Blood."

Sex

-ONLINE FORMAT-

Name

Date of Birth Blood Degree

ee State

Johnson, Megan Leigh

**Tsoumpas, Travis Scott** 



## RESOLUTION

- **WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee has been presented a list of applicants who have filed for membership with the Comanche Nation; and
- WHEREAS, the documentary evidence on file with the Comanche Nation Enrollment Office and information furnished by each applicant named on List No. 1365 does not possess the required one-eighth (1/8) degree Comanche blood as provided by Article III Section 1(c) of the Comanche Constitution.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that each applicant named on the attached List No. 1365 is determined to be ineligible for membership with the Comanche Nation of Oklahoma because they **do not meet** the provisions of Article III, Section 3(c) of the Comanche Nation's Constitution.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that each applicant on **List No. 1365** be officially notified of their rejection for membership, stating the reason for such determination and including the appropriate appeals provisions.

#### CERTIFICATION

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Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Tribal Chairman

ATTEST:



The applicants named below **do not qualify** for enrollment pursuant to Article III, Section 1(c), "The membership of the Comanche Nation shall consist of the following: "All descendants of allottees eligible for membership under the provision of Section 1(a) of this article, having one eighth (1/8) or more degree Comanche Indian Blood."

 Ineligible Blood Quantum "ONLINE FORMAT"

 NAME
 SEX
 DATE OF BIRTH
 BLOOD DEGREE

Castillo, Maria Isabel

Justo, Axel Rosas

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee is the duly elected official body designated to conduct business for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation Department of Transportation desires to purchase two (2) Dump trucks for the Gravel/Tinhorns Program. These vehicles will be purchased with the Transportation profit fund. (Please review attached documents for detailed information); and

**THEREFORE, NOW BE IT RESOLVED,** the Comanche Nation Business Committee hereby approves the purchase of (1) 2023 Ford Dump Truck F450 in the amount of <u>\$78,263</u> and (1) 2023 Ford Dump Truck F550 in the amount of <u>\$85,150</u> from Olathe Ford Commercial for the Gravel Tinhorns Program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5th</u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Code Talkers Room located within the Comanche Nation Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstentions, a quorum being present.

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Comanche Nation Department of Transportation desires to update the Long-Range Plan by adding the following route to the National Transportation Facility Inventory, (NTTFI) Route# 7526, Cache Development located in Cache, Comanche County Oklahoma. Then add this Route to the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). (Please view the attached detailed list of route).

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee hereby approves for Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Transportation, SPRO to add the above route to the **National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory (NTTFI)** and the **Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).** 

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Nation Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:



**Route No. 7526** Located at the NE <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the SE <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of section 14, T2N, R14W, in the town of Cache, Comanche County Oklahoma.

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(j), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to promulgate and enforce ordinances and codes governing law and order to protect the peace, health, safety, and general welfare on land determined to be within Comanche tribal jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Business Committee has promulgated a gaming ordinance authorizing the conduct of gaming by the Comanche Nation under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Section 206(E) of the Gaming Ordinance provides that the Comanche Business Committee may set strategic objectives for Comanche Nation Entertainment; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to TC 06-2024, in order to facilitate more capital improvement projects, the Comanche Business Committee requested that the Tribal Council increase the cap on the Comanche Business Committee's ability to provide a waiver of sovereign immunity to fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000.00), which was then approved by the Tribal Council via Special Election; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee hereby approves and directs Comanche Nation Entertainment to solicit and obtain financing related to the Comanche Nation Entertainment master plan which includes the following:

- Phase I Comanche Nation Casino Fuel Center, Comanche Nation Casino Maintenance Building, Red River Fuel Center, Red River RV Park
- Phase II Comanche Nation Casino Hotel Tower, Comanche Nation Casino Expansion, Comanche Nation Casino Event Center
- Phase III Red River Event Center, Red River Maintenance Building
- Phase IV Red River Hotel Tower

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** this Resolution is subject to the Comanche Business Committee's right to make amendments or modifications to the master plan and phasing in the future;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.



## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Nation Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

**ATTEST:** 

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee passed Resolution No. 47-2024 on April 6, 2024, which approved former Tax Administrator Nicholas Hutchins online access, viewing, acquiring rights, and printing, not to transfer, withdrawal funds or anything from City National Bank ending in 2357, 3312, and Liberty National Bank ending in 0377; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee deems it necessary to revoke the rights of former Tax Administrator, Nicholas Hutchins, from online access, viewing, acquiring rights, and printing, not to transfer, withdrawal funds or anything from City National Bank ending in 2357, 3312, and Liberty National Bank ending in 0377; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee approves City National Bank & Trust and Liberty National Bank to revoke the rights of former Tax Administrator Nicholas Hutchins to view all company bank accounts.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Nation Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:



#### RESOLUTION APPROVING UPDATES TO THE COMANCHE HEMP PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMANCHE NATION TO SIGN THE HEMP PROGRAM CERTIFICATION

- WHEREAS, the Comanche Nation is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and
- WHEREAS, the Comanche Nation Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(j), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to promulgate and enforce ordinances and codes governing law and order to protect the peace, health, safety, and general welfare on land determined to be within Comanche tribal jurisdiction; and
- WHEREAS, the Comanche Business Committee passed Resolution No. 108-2020 on September 5, 2020, which enacted the "Comanche Hemp Plan" and authorized the Chairman of the Comanche Nation to submit the Comanche Hemp Plan to the United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA") for review and approval; and
- WHEREAS, the USDA subsequently approved the Comanche Hemp Plan and authorized the Comanche Nation to regulate hemp cultivation pursuant to its approved Comanche Hemp Plan; and
- WHEREAS, after the USDA approved the Comanche Hemp Plan, the USDA subsequently promulgated a Final Rule on the Establishment of a Domestic Hemp Production Program, published in the Federal Register as 86 FR 5596, which modified requirements for maintaining records about the land where hemp is produced, testing the levels of total delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol, disposing of non-compliant plants, licensing hemp producers, and ensuring compliance under the federal regulations; and
- WHEREAS, the Comanche Nation has updated the Comanche Hemp Plan to comply with the USDA's Final Rule, published in the Federal Register as 86 FR 5596, and the Comanche Business Committee now desires to adopt the updated Comanche Hemp Plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED,** the Comanche Business Committee, hereby adopts the Comanche Hemp Plan; and

**BE IT NOW FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee authorizes and directs the Chairman of the Comanche Business Committee to sign the Hemp Program Certification and send the Certification and updated Comanche Hemp Plan to the USDA for approval.



## CERTIFICATION

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Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(j), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to promulgate and enforce ordinances and codes governing law and order to protect the peace, health, safety, and general welfare on land determined to be within Comanche tribal jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Business Committee has promulgated a Gaming Ordinance authorizing the conduct of gaming by the Comanche Nation under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gaming Ordinance establishes a Gaming Commission with a budget approved by the Comanche Business Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 2, 2024, through Resolution No. 165-2024, the Comanche Business Committee designated authorized signatories for the Gaming Commission's bank accounts; and

**WHEREAS**, since November 2024, the National Indian Gaming Commission approved amendments to the Comanche Nation's Gaming Ordinance modifying the structure of the Gaming Commission; and as a result, the Comanche Business Committee seeks to update the authorized signers on the Commission's accounts to reflect the structural changes.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the following individuals are designated as authorized signatories for the Comanche Nation Gaming Commission's bank account(s), including but not limited to those maintained by Arvest Bank such as the sweep account ending in 3327 and the operating account ending in 3025:

- Shane Scarfone
- Sherry Pueblo
- Tanisha Burgess

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that all other individuals shall be removed as authorized signatories on the Comanche Nation Gaming Commission's bank accounts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that all financial transactions shall require signatures from two individuals, one employee and one gaming commissioner, as follows: (1) either Shane Scarfone or Shery Pueblo and (2) Tanisha Burgess.



## CERTIFICATION

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Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:



## RESOLUTION ADOPTING NEW HUMAN RESOURCES POLICIES AND CLARIFYING COMANCHE PREFERENCE

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article VI, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS,** on October 6, 2012, the Comanche Business Committee approved Resolution No. 92-12, which created a Comanche Tribal Employment Preference Law; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1.4(c) of the Comanche Tribal Employment Preference Law was ambiguous as it concerns how to apply tribal preference when two applicants for a job both meet the minimum qualifications but one applicant is a member of the Comanche Nation and another applicant is more qualified but is a member of another Tribe; and

**WHEREAS,** on August 5, 2017, the Comanche Business Committee adopted Human Resources Policies and Procedures by Resolution No. 89-17, which included reference to the Comanche Tribal Employment Preference Law; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 24, 2020, the Comanche Business Committee approved Resolution No. 121-2020, which rescinded "any previous laws enacted regarding employment rights and approves the Comanche Nation Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance of 2020;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance of 2020 applies to Vendor Licensees, but does not apply to the Comanche Nation, its subdivisions, or its wholly-owned tribal enterprises; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee wishes to replace the Human Resources Policies and Procedures with the Human Resources Policies attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee believes the new Human Resources policies will address important issues that have arisen including providing due process protections for employee grievances, clarifying leave and creating a leave bank, providing for update drug testing policies, clarifying the application of tribal preference, and creating veteran preference in employment.



**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby adopts the Human Resources Policies attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and rescinds all prior Human Resources Policies or Procedures; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that, for avoidance of doubt, Resolution No. 92-12 is rescinded and has no further effect, the applicable laws and policies regarding Comanche Preference in employment are TERO (for non-government employers) and the 2025 Human Resources policies (for the government as employer); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Comanche Nation's subdivisions and its whollyowned tribal enterprises, such as Comanche Nation Entertainment and Comanche Nation Enterprises, Inc., are hereby directed to amend their Human Resources policies for tribal preference consistent with Exhibit A attached hereto; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Nation Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:



### RESOLUTION PROHIBITING COMANCHE ACADEMY FROM USING TRIBAL FUNDS FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article 6, Section 7(f), provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to implement, administer, and report on progress of programs adopted by the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, in Comanche Academy Charter School was placed on the budget by the Tribal Council for the first time via motion at the 2023 Annual Meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, at the 2023 Annual Meeting, the discussion concerning placing the Comanche Academy Charter School on the budget focused on capital expenditures, such as a playground, cafeteria, and roof; and

**WHEREAS**, at the 2024 Annual Meeting the Comanche Academy Charter School was once again placed on the budget by the Tribal Council via motion; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2024, it was revealed that the Comanche Academy Charter School had incurred substantial legal expenses using a private attorney, and the school began receiving legal services through its membership in the Oklahoma Public School Resource Center; and

WHEREAS, at its March 2025 meeting, the Comanche Academy School Board voted to retain a private attorney; and

WHEREAS, due to the availability of low cost or pro bono legal services, and the other needs of the school, particularly for capital expenditures such as a playground, the Comanche Business Committee wishes to prohibit use of tribal funds for legal expenses by the Comanche Academy Charter School; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee hereby prohibits Comanche Academy Charter School from using any portion of the funds it receives from the Comanche Nation for legal services, attorneys' fees, or any other legal expenses; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that knowing violation of this Resolution is a misuse of Tribal funds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.



## CERTIFICATION

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Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:



## A RESOLUTION PROPOSING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Constitution, Article XI, Section 1, provides that amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by a majority vote of the Business Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee believes it is in the best interest of the Comanche Nation for Tribal Council voters to consider amending the Constitution to provide for Comanche Business Committee members to receive compensation approved by the Tribal Council (and only the compensation approved by the Tribal Council), to clarify the procedures for recalls and suspensions of elected officials, and for the other purposes stated in proposed Amendments A and B, attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 505(d)(4) of the Election Ordinance provides that the Comanche Business Committee has authority to elect to hold an election to amend the constitution concurrently with any other election; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 General Election is currently scheduled for May 17, 2025; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee hereby proposes the amendments to the Constitution attached hereto as Amendment A and Amendment B; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the election concerning these elections shall be held as part of the 2025 General Election.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Nation Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

ATTEST:

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

## AMENDMENT A

Current language	Proposed to be amended as follows:		
ARTICLE V — TRIBAL COUNCIL / POWERS CLAUSE	ARTICLE V — TRIBAL COUNCIL / POWERS CLAUSE		
<u>Section 6.</u> Subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative where applicable, the authority of the Comanche Tribal Council shall include and be exclusive with respect to the following:	<u>Section 6.</u> Subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative where applicable, the authority of the Comanche Tribal Council shall include and be exclusive with respect to the following:		
(a) To change, modify, alter or revoke membership rules.	(a) To change, modify, alter or revoke membership rules.		
(b) To execute leases, contracts or permits for five (5) or more years with regard to property which is owned exclusively by the Comanche Nation, but this does not include any individually- owned land or personal property.	(b) To execute leases, contracts or permits for five (5) or more years with regard to property which is owned exclusively by the Comanche Nation, but this does not include any individually-owned land or personal property.		
(c) To elect tribal officers and members of the business committee and to fill vacancies which may occur pursuant to Article VII.	(c) To elect tribal officers and members of the business committee and to fill vacancies which may occur pursuant to Article VII.		
(d) To authorize the expenditure of funds which may be deposited to the exclusive credit to the Comanche Nation and of funds which may be deposited to the joint credit of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache Tribes.	(d) To authorize the expenditure of funds which may be deposited to the exclusive credit to the Comanche Nation and of funds which may be deposited to the joint credit of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache Tribes.		
(e) To select and authorize tribal delegations to transact business on behalf of the tribe. When travel is involved, the terms of the resolution shall include the purpose of the trip and the existence of the delegation's authority.	<ul> <li>(e) To select and authorize tribal delegations to transact business on behalf of the tribe. When travel is involved, the terms of the resolution shall include the purpose of the trip and the existence of the delegation's authority.</li> </ul>		
(f) The salary for the Chairman of the	(f) The salar <i>ies</i> for the Chairman of the Business Committee, <i>other members of the</i>		



Business Committee shall be established by the Tribal Council by the adoption of an annual tribal operating budget. Salary for all other members of the business committee shall be two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) per month.

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## ARTICLE VI – BUSINESS COMMITTEE

<u>Section 1.</u> The Comanche Business Committee shall be composed of seven (7) members of the Comanche Nation who are at least twenty-one (21) years of age, and be elected as provided in Article VII of this constitution.

<u>Section 2.</u> The business committee shall meet on the first Saturday of each month of each year at 10:00 a.m. In case of a legal holiday, the meeting will be held on the following Saturday. Special meetings may be called by the tribal chairman at his discretion; provided that such special meetings do not exceed a total of twelve (12) meetings per calendar year.

<u>Section 3.</u> Notice of all special meetings of the business committee shall be given by the tribal secretary-treasurer by mailing a letter or postal card to each member of

Comanche Business Committee, and other officials elected by the Tribal Council shall be established by the Tribal Council by the adoption of an annual tribal operating budget. Effective on the first day of the first fiscal year following the ratification of the following clause, the members of the **Business Committee and other officials** elected by the Tribal Council shall receive no other remuneration from the Comanche Nation or its boards, commissions, subcommittees, subsidiaries, or other triballyowned entities other than the salaries approved by the Tribal Council, health insurance, retirement and other employee benefits, and reasonable expense reimbursements.

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Section 3. Notice of all special meetings of the business committee shall be given by the tribal secretary-treasurer *via electronic communication* to each member of the business committee at least *forty-eight (48)* 



the business committee at least ten days (10) prior to the meeting date, setting forth the date, time, place, and purpose in general terms.	<i>hours</i> prior to the meeting date, setting forth the date, time, place, and purpose in general terms.
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## AMENDMENT B

Current language	Proposed to be amended as follows:
ARTICLE V — TRIBAL COUNCIL / POWERS CLAUSE	ARTICLE V — TRIBAL COUNCIL / POWERS CLAUSE
<u>Section 1.</u> Pursuant to ARTICLE IV, Section 1. The supreme governing body of this organization shall be the Comanche Tribal Council. The Tribal Council shall consist of all duly enrolled members of the Comanche Nation who are eighteen (18) years of age or older. The Tribal Council will affirm and exercise its Supreme Powers Clause by the Annual Election following the Annual Meeting or Special Election following a Special Meeting, excluding Article VIII.	<u>Section 1.</u> Pursuant to ARTICLE IV, Section 1, <i>t</i> he supreme governing body of this organization shall be the Comanche Tribal Council. The Tribal Council shall consist of all duly enrolled members of the Comanche Nation who are eighteen (18) years of age or older. The Tribal Council will <i>exercise</i> its <i>powers through</i> the Annual Election following the Annual Meeting or Special Election following a Special Meeting <i>or a</i> <i>Special or Recall Election under Article</i> <i>VIII</i> .
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ARTICLE VIII – VACANCIES AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE	ARTICLE VIII – VACANCIES AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE
<u>Section 1.</u> If a committeeman or officer of the tribe shall die or resign, be removed or recalled from office, his office shall be deemed vacant and the tribal chairman, or should this office be vacant, the tribal vice- chairman, shall immediately call a meeting of the Comanche Tribal Council to be held within twenty (20) days for the purpose of filling such vacancy for the unexpired term, except that when such vacancy shall occur within four months of the annual meeting of the Comanche Tribal Council, the position shall remain vacant until the next election when provisions shall be made to fill the vacancy.	<u>Section 1.</u> If a committeeman or officer or other official elected by the Tribal <i>Council</i> of the tribe shall die or resign, be removed or recalled from office, his office shall be deemed vacant and there shall be a <i>Special Election held pursuant to the</i> <i>Election Ordinance. Whoever wishes to run</i> for office in a Special Election, shall nominate themselves as set forth in the <i>Election Ordinance. The Special Election</i> shall be complete within sixty (60) days of the vacancy.
Section 2. The Comanche Tribal Council may at a meeting duly called specifically for the purpose, recall any officer or	Section 2. Subject to the requirements of this section, a committeeman, officer, or other official elected by the Tribal Council

committeemen for neglect of duty or conduct that has brought disrepute upon the tribe. Such a meeting shall not be unless a petition signed by two hundred and fifty (250) eligible voters of the Comanche Nation requesting recall is submitted to the tribal chairman. The Tribal Council shall consist of all members of the Comanche Nation who are eighteen (18) years of age or older. The recall of only one officer or committeeman may be initiated per meeting called for this purpose. The petitioner's representative shall provide proper evidence or receipt by the accused, the tribal chairman shall call an official meeting of the Comanche Tribal Council within thirty (30) days for the purpose of hearing and disposition of the case, such meeting can be established within the timeframe so noted in Section 2(a).

(a) Following submission of an acceptable petition for a recall Tribal Council meeting, the tribal chairman shall require that a signed Bill of Particulars setting forth the elements of neglect or misconduct be submitted to the accused. The petitioner's representative shall provide proper evidence or receipt by the accused, the tribal chairman shall call an official meeting of the Comanche Tribal Council within thirty (30) days for the purpose of hearing and disposition of the case.

b) Acceptable recall petitions must adhere to the following standards:

1. The standards of "one and only one" recall taken on a committeeman within a 120 day timeframe; all recalls must be of a grievous nature such as mismanagement of funds, not by error, but by intent, actual manipulation of documents, coercing of personnel to perform such illegal acts, and verified not by hearsay, but with actual documents; or by intentionally misleading *may be removed from office via a Recall Election.* 

(a) A Recall Election shall be initiated by a Recall Petition. The number of signatures required shall be either (i) five (5) or more members of the Comanche Business Committee (which may include the Chairman), or (ii) two hundred and fifty (250) or more members of the Tribal Council. Once the signatures on a Recall Petition are verified by the Enrollment Office, the accused committeeman, officer, or other official shall be suspended from office until the conclusion of the Recall Election or dismissal of the Bill of Particulars.

(b) A Recall Petition must include a Bill of Particulars alleging, in writing, misconduct or neglect of duty as defined in the Election Ordinance.

(c) Within the time limits set forth in the Election Ordinance, the Tribal Court (or other independent tribunal designated by the Tribal Council) shall convene a hearing on the Bill of Particulars, the accused person shall be given an opportunity to respond to the Bill of Particulars, and the Tribal Court or tribunal shall determine whether misconduct or neglect of duty has been proven by clear and convincing evidence. If misconduct or neglect of duty is proven by clear and convincing evidence, a Recall Election shall be held. If misconduct or neglect of duty is not proven by clear and convincing evidence, the Bill of Particulars shall be dismissed.

(d) Prior to the Recall Election, the Bill of Particulars shall be published as set forth in the Election Ordinance. The accused committeeman, officer, or official shall be

committeemen, committee appointees or community at large to commit acts which endanger the future appropriations of funds, notwithstanding those funds be tribal, contractual or earned revenue from the various enterprises of the Nation;

2. Include viable documentation that a crime or act is grievous enough to endanger the Nation or its entities and was intentionally performed by the accused;

3. The particulars cannot be any subject matter not within the operational control of the accused, such as acts of nature, economic misfortune due to a national crisis, or mismanagement of program administrators (federal, state, or other contractual entity actions not within the scope of the accused), nor prior committee actions which were approved by a majority of the prior business committee members;

4. The presenters of the Bill of Particulars must verify by more than 12 witnesses that they were harmed intentionally by the actions of the accused, such actions if found not viable, or true to the nature presented, such recall will be declared null and void, and presenters of the particulars will not be allowed to take a recall petition on any other committeeman for a period of 18 months from the date the petition is filed. Their signature to any other petition will nullify such signed recall petition.

5. Pursuant to Tribal Council authority, a petition for recall must be accompanied with a cashier's check or bank draft of \$500.00, non-refundable, to the Enrollment Director or other designated entity so named by the Tribal Council;

No recall meeting is allowed within
 45 days, prior to or after an election period is declared;

At no time will more than 2 recalls against more than 2 committee members (only one given the opportunity to respond to the Bill of Particulars, and the response shall be published along with the Bill of Particulars.

(e) If a Recall Election is initiated 45 days prior to the Annual Meeting, it may be considered as part of the General Election subject to the requirements of the Election Ordinance.

(f) In a Recall Election, a supermajority of 60% or more of votes casts is required for a committeeman, officer, or official to be removed from office.

(g) If an attempt to recall fails to remove a committeeman, officer, or official—either due to dismissal under subsection (c) or failure to obtain a supermajority under subsection (f)—then no other recall may be initiated based on the same conduct alleged in the Bill of Particulars.

(h) Notwithstanding the foregoing, at no time shall there be more than two (2) vacancies on the Comanche Business Committee. In the event that there are two vacancies, no Recall Election shall be permitted until the vacancies are filled pursuant to Section 1 of this Article.



recall per person) be allowed within a 6month period, any such filing by any member of the Nation will disqualify such person from initiating another recall for 18 months. (The petition will be declared null and void by the Enrollment Director).

1. No citizen of the Comanche Nation may take a recall against any committee member within 9 months of so doing. (A member can only take out one recall on a committee member once every 9 months.)

2. Subcommittee members are not subject to the recall ordinance.

d) The format for the Tribal Council meeting shall be established as follows:

1. Presentation of the Bill of Particulars against the accused by a representative of the accusers: This presentation shall be limited strictly to those specifics included in the Bill of Particulars as presented to the accused. See Section 2(a).

2. The accused shall be given adequate opportunity to answer any and all charges of which he or she is accused. The accused may personally present or may choose to utilize the services of another to present this response.

3. The accused while having the opportunity to rebuff the particulars, if interrupted at any time during her/his presentation, such charges shall immediately be dismissed, without chairman's recognition, and no future charges of the same nature can be brought forth against the accused for the remainder of their term in office.

e) Upon completion of these two presentations no further discussion shall be allowed and voting shall proceed immediately in a manner prescribed by this constitution.

f) A two thirds (2/3) majority vote of those voting of the Tribal Council meeting



shall be sufficient to effect recall providing a quorum is present. Should a quorum not be present the charges against the accused shall be declared null and void and no further action shall be taken on this petition, nor shall the same charges be allowed within the accused officer's term of office.

Section 3. Any officer or committeeman who shall be found guilty by any State or Federal Court of a felony, a grievous act involving harm or threatening harm to any other person, within or without the reservation bounds of the Comanche Nation, a misdemeanor involving dishonesty, or of accepting a bribe shall forfeit his office and such office shall immediately become vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 1 of this Article. <u>Section 3.</u> Any officer, committeeman, *or other official elected by the Tribal Council* who *is convicted of any felony, a misdemeanor involving dishonesty, bribery, or embezzlement* shall forfeit his office and such office shall immediately become vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 1 of this Article.



### A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AUDREY WHITEFEATHER TO THE COMANCHE NATION HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Constitution, Article V, Section 1 provides that the supreme governing body of the Nation is the Tribal Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Tribal Council enacted Resolution No. 1-68 on April 20, 1968, establishing a housing authority; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation Housing Authority Bylaws, as amended July 18, 2017, provide that the affairs of the Comanche Nation Housing Authority shall be managed by a Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation Housing Authority Bylaws, as amended July 18, 2017, provide that the Commissioners of the Comanche Nation Housing Authority shall be selected by the Chairman of the Comanche Nation of Oklahoma with concurrence of the Comanche Business Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists on the Comanche Nation Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, and the Chairman of the Comanche Nation has selected Audrey Whitefeather to serve as Commissioner of the Comanche Nation Housing Authority; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Comanche Business Committee hereby concurs in the selection of Audrey Whitefeather as Commissioner of the Comanche Nation Housing Authority; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Audrey Whitefeather shall be sworn-in as Commissioner upon execution of an acknowledgement of the Comanche Nation Housing Authority's confidentiality policies at the next meeting of the Comanche Nation Housing Authority.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Nation Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman

ATTEST:



### A RESOLUTION NOMINATING JOSHUA MIHESUAH AND DR. CORNEL PEWEWARDY TO HASKELL INDIAN NATIONS UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

WHEREAS, the Comanche Business Committee has inherent authority to articulate its position on matters of public concern; and

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists on the Haskell Indian Nations University Board of Regents for the board member from the Southern Plains region; and

**WHEREAS,** Joshua Mihesuah and Dr. Cornel Pewewardy are Comanche Tribal members, have voiced interest in joining the Haskell Board of Regents, and are qualified to serve on the Board of Regents; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee hereby nominates and supports Joshua Mihesuah and Dr. Cornel Pewewardy to fill the Southern Plains region vacancy on the Haskell Indian Nations Board of Regents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

**ATTEST:** 

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman



#### A RESOLUTION AMENDING ELECTION ORDINANCE

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Nation is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with a Constitution approved and ratified by the Secretary of the Interior of the United States on January 9, 1967, to safeguard tribal rights, powers, and privileges to improve the economic, moral, educational, and health status of its members; and

**WHEREAS,** the Comanche Nation Constitution, Article VI, Section 7(j) provides that the Comanche Business Committee has the authority to promulgate and enforce ordinances and codes governing law and order to protect the peace, health, safety, and general welfare on land determined to within Comanche tribal jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Comanche Business Committee adopted an Election Ordinance on February 3, 2024 through Resolution No. 22-2024, which was amended March 1, 2025 through Resolution No. 47-2025; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to the March 1, 2025 resolution, the proposed amendments to the Election Ordinance were publicly posted for comment; and

**WHEREAS**, due to inclement weather in February 2025, a meeting with the Election Board was cancelled, and after Resolution 47-2025, the Comanche Business Committee met with the Election Board and received additional commentary regarding the Election Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comanche Business Committee wishes to further amend the Election Ordinance to incorporate the suggestions of the Election Board including topics such as residency requirements for Election Board members, removal of Election Board members, office duties of Election Board members, and election Board members; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Election Ordinance is hereby amended in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Tribal Administrator is directed to post a copy of the Election Ordinance as amended on the Comanche Nation website; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Comanche Business Committee, acting for and on behalf of the Comanche Nation, does hereby authorize this Resolution for such intent.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Comanche Business Committee held on the <u>5<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2025, at the Comanche Tribal Complex, Lawton, Oklahoma, by a majority vote of \_\_\_\_\_\_ for, \_\_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, a legal quorum being present.

ATTEST:

Forrest Tahdooahnippah, Chairman