



KIOWA TRIBE

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KIOWA TRIBE Resolution No. KL-CY-2022-012

THE RIGHT OF KIOWA VOTERS TO VOTE BY MAIL ACT OF 2022

At a duly called session of the Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe held this 27th day of July, 2022, the following resolution and law were adopted.

WHEREAS, The Legislature is vested with the authority to pass laws and resolutions pursuant to Article VI, Section 6 (a) of the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe, and

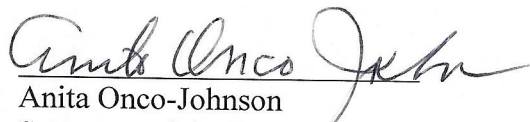
WHEREAS, The CFR Court recently held that Kiowa Tribe Election Commission is not permitted to mail out ballots to all enrolled adult members of the Kiowa Tribe despite doing so in the two most recent elections; and,

WHEREAS, The Legislature wishes to ensure that all adult members of the Tribe who maintain a current address with the Tribe receive a ballot by mail in all elections, notwithstanding any law, ordinance, or resolution of the Tribe to the contrary and/or previously enacted by the Tribe.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature hereby enacts the attached law entitled, "THE RIGHT OF KIOWA VOTERS TO VOTE BY MAIL ACT OF 2022".

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution KL-CY-2022-012, was duly voted upon by the Legislature on July 27, 2022, at a Legislative Special Session I with a vote of (5) in favor and (0) opposed, (0) abstaining, and (0) absent, pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.


Anita Onco-Johnson
Secretary of the Legislature



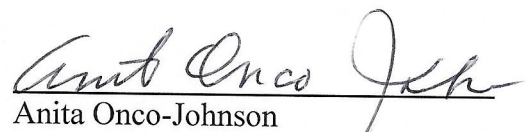
Posted and read into record sponsored by: Ben Wolf, District #6 Legislator, at a Legislative Regular Session LXII-(62), Saturday, June 11, 2022. Lawrence Spottedbird, Chairman, called a Legislative Special Session I, Wednesday, July 27, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

LEGISLATURE - RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2022-012:**SPONSOR:** Anita Johnson, District #5 Legislator**CO-SPONSOR(S):**

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héñgyádàu
VACANT District #1				
Michael Primus District #2	X			
Tim Satepauhoodle District #3	X			
Alana Quetone District #4	X			
Anita Johnson District #5	X			
Ben Wolf District #6	X			
VACANT District #7				

DELIVERY OF THE RESOLUTION AND LAW TO THE CHAIRMAN

Resolution No. KL-CY-2022-012 was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the 27th day of July, 2022, pursuant to the Article VI, Section 8(a)(iv) of the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe, and will become effective after signature by the Chairman or veto override by the Legislature, and as otherwise required by the Constitution.


Anita Onco-Johnson
Secretary of the Legislature

CHAIRMAN'S ACTION:

☒ APPROVED

☐ VETO - RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

On this 27th day of July, 2022.



Lawrence Spottedbird
Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe

Presented by the Chairman to the Legislature on the ____ day of _____, 2022.

LEGISLATURE'S ACTION:

Override of Chairman's veto:

☐ YES

☐ NO

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution KL-CY-2022-012 was overridden with Order KLO-CY-2022-XXX and duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2022, at a Legislative Order Session with a vote of _____ in favor and _____ opposed, and _____ abstaining, _____ Absent. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

Anita Onco-Johnson
Secretary of the Legislature

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héñgyádàu
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Section 1.1 Short Title

This enactment shall be known as the “The Right of Kiowa Voters to Vote by Mail Act of 2022” (“Act”).

Section 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to authorize the Kiowa Election Commission to mail out ballots in all elections to all adult members of the Kiowa Tribe who maintain a current address to the Tribe, notwithstanding any law, ordinance, or resolution of the Tribe to the contrary and/or previously enacted by the Tribe.

Section 1.3 Findings

- (a) Right of all adult Kiowa Tribal Members to vote is a fundamental component of democracy.
- (b) Fair and impartial elections are critical to guarantee the peoples right to choose their representation and to be governed by them.
- (c) In response to a recent BIA/CFR Court Order, the Legislature finds the need to solidify and guarantee the right of all Kiowa Tribal voters to receive a ballot by mail to all elections.

Section 1.4 Authorization

- (a) The Legislature hereby authorizes and directs the Kiowa Tribe Election Commission to mail out ballots to all adult members of the Kiowa Tribe who maintain a current address with the Tribe in all elections, notwithstanding any law, ordinance, or resolution of the Tribe to the contrary and/or previously enacted by the Tribe.