

**KIOWA TRIBE
KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 21, 2025
RED BUFFALO HALL, CARNEGIE, OK
RESOLUTION NUMBER: KIC-CY-0005-2025**

DATE SUBMITTED: 05/06/2025 POSTED: 05/22/2025 DATE APPROVED:

SUBJECT: Tornado siren & above ground walk in storm shelter for all rural Kiowa churches.

WHEREAS: the Kiowa Tribe is a sovereign nation since time immemorial and is federally recognized as a Tribal Government by the United States; and,

WHEREAS: The Kiowa Tribe is organized under a constitution approved by tribal membership on April 17, 2017, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs on May 5, 2017; and,

WHEREAS: Article V, section 3(b) of the Constitution grants the Kiowa Indian Council the power to set policy for the Tribe, and shall have all other powers and duties specifically provided by the Constitution

WHEREAS: We, the members of the Kiowa Indian Council of the Kiowa Tribe, under the authority granted to the Kiowa Indian Council by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe, in order to preserve for ourselves and our children the inherent sovereign rights of our Indian nations, governed under the laws of the Kiowa Constitution, to preserve Kiowa cultural values, and promote the health, safety and welfare of the Kiowa people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution; and

WHEREAS: For the safety of the Kiowa rural residents a tornado siren and an above ground walk in storm shelter would be placed at each rural Kiowa church. The Kiowa churches that are within the city limits would benefit from a storm shelter. Each storm shelter would be above a ground walk in with a maximum capacity of 50 people. It would protect residents during extreme-wind events such as tornados and any other natural disaster. Tornado sirens will be located at rural churches which will be monitored by the local county officials, such as the Emergency Management Department. They activate the outdoor warning sirens based on Nation Weather Service (NWS). Funding could be available through the Kiowa tribal housing, USDA program, Natural Resource Conservation and the Farm Service Agency (FSA) these departments provide services related to disaster assistance programs and more.

WHEREAS: The purpose of this resolution is in reference to the Budget & Transparency Act of 2023 in which a line item could be included within the annual budget. This line

item would cover expenses for this resolution. Also, the Kiowa Tribe sponsorship Act of 2023, where the tribe may sponsor assistance as they do with the Kiowa churches for the need of storm shelters.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Kiowa Indian Council hereby; formally requests, in tandem with the Kiowa Tribe Sponsorship Act of 2023, that funds be allocated to assist in acquiring financial assistance for storm shelters to be placed at each rural Kiowa Church for the protection and safety of those that may not have access to a storm shelter where they reside.

BE FURTHER RESOLVED; that this resolution shall be the policy of the Kiowa Tribe until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

2025 KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL OF THE KIOWA TRIBE

Chairperson

ATTEST: _____

Secretary, Kiowa Indian Council
KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL, RESOLUTION NO. ____:

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly voted upon by the 2025 Special Meeting of the Kiowa Indian Council of the Kiowa Tribe; was present at the duly called Special Kiowa Indian Council Meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 20____, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the affirmative vote: For: _____ Opposed: _____ Abstention: _____

Secretary, Kiowa Indian Council