



KIOWA TRIBE

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OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATURE

THE EQUITY IN SOCIAL MEDIA ACCESS BY GOVERNMENT BRANCHES ACT OF 2025

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Tribe is a sovereign nation and has been so since time immemorial; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribe exercises full enjoyment of the inherent powers of government, including self-determination and autonomy over internal affairs encompassing Tribe citizens, lands, and resources; and,

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2017, qualified voters of the Tribe ratified the Kiowa Constitution as “the supreme law of the land”; and,

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Legislature is vested with the agency to pass laws and resolutions pursuant to Article VI, Section 6(a) of same Constitution; and,

WHEREAS, a Kiowa Tribe Facebook Page account is presently maintained by the Executive Branch, nominally via the Media and Outreach Department; and,

WHEREAS, same Facebook platform operates as a central point of access for Tribe citizens to obtain information regarding the Tribe government; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribe, as a governmental entity, does not consist of the Executive Branch alone but also encompasses the Judicial and Legislative Branches as well as the Kiowa Indian Council; and,

WHEREAS, transparency is a cardinal component of a healthy democracy; and,

WHEREAS, at least one legislator has been blocked from the Tribe Facebook page since June 21, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, such restrictions on any elected representative of a Cauigu constituency reflect an alarming approach on the part of the Executive to limiting free discourse;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that each branch of Tribe government shall have password access and authority to post on the existing Kiowa Tribe Facebook page; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature hereby adopts the EQUITY IN SOCIAL MEDIA ACCESS BY GOVERNMENT BRANCHES ACT OF 2025.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution KL-CY-2025-00X was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 202__, at a Legislative Regular Session _____-(), with a vote of () in favor and () opposed, () abstaining, and () absent, according to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

Michael Primus
Speaker of the Legislature

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION – KL-CY-2025-00X

Sponsors: Cole DeLaune, District 4.

Co-Sponsors:

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héngyádàu
Kyle Ataddlety District 1				
Michael Primus District 2				
Timothy Satepauhoodle District 3				
Cole DeLaune District 4				
Tiya Rosario District 5				
Ben Wolf District 6				
Warren Queton District 7				

DELIVERY OF THE RESOLUTION AND LAW TO THE CHAIRMAN

Resolution No. KL-CY-2025-00X was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the ____ day of ____, 202__, 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.

Michael Primus
Speaker of the Legislature

CHAIRMAN’S ACTION:

☐ APPROVED

☐ VETO - RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

On this ____ day of _____, 2025.

Lawrence Spottedbird
Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe

Presented by the Chairman to the Legislature on the ____ day of _____, 2025.

LEGISLATURE’S ACTION:

Override of Chairman’s veto:

☐ YES

☐ NO

LEGISLATIVE OVERRIDE ORDER: KLO-CY-2025-0XX

LEGISLATORS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kyle Ataddlety District 1				
Michael Primus District 2				
Timothy Satepauhoodle District 3				
Cole DeLaune District 4				
Tiya Rosario District 5				
Ben Wolf District 6				
Warren Queton District 7				

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

The foregoing Legislative Order, KL-CY-2025-00X was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2025, at a Legislative Override 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.

Michael Primus
Speaker of the Legislature

Section 1.1 Short Title

This enactment shall be known as the “Equity in Social Media Access by Government Branches Act of 2025.”

Section 1.2 Purpose

These provisions are enacted to define and establish in Tribe law the function of Tribe social media applications as well as to delineate the specific mechanics of operational access for all branches of Tribe government.