



KIOWA TRIBE

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OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATURE

THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE KIOWA TRIBE SPONSORSHIP ACT OF 2026

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, on August 10, 2024, the Legislature adopted The First Amendment to the Kiowa Tribe Sponsorship Act of 2024, which was signed into law by Chairman Spottedbird four days later; and,

WHEREAS, substantial disbursements have continued in the past fourteen months from casino funds, often at the directive of the Chairman and without a cohesive framework of criteria for same expenditures; and,

WHEREAS, same expenditures from casino funds to subsidize sponsorships of up to \$100,000 have occurred without ratification by the Legislature as mandated by Tribe law; and,

WHEREAS, the Legislature has identified the imperative to clarify provisions of the statutory infrastructure governing sponsorship funding to ensure equity and fiscal accountability;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the Legislature hereby adopts THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE KIOWA TRIBE SPONSORSHIP ACT OF 2026.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution KL-CY-2026-0XX was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2026, 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 Q. Primus II
Speaker of the Legislature

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION – KL-CY-2026-0XX

Sponsors: Cole DeLaune, District 4

Co-Sponsors:

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héñgyádàu
Kyle Ataddlety District 1				
Michael Q. Primus II District 2				
Timothy Satepauhoodle District 3				
Cole Kickingbird-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-2026-00X was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the ___ day of _____, 2026, 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 Q. Primus II
Speaker of the Legislature

CHAIRMAN’S ACTION:

APPROVED

VETO - RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

On this ____ day of _____, 2026.

David B. Sullivan
Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe

Presented by the Chairman to the Legislature on the ____ day of _____, 2026.

LEGISLATURE’S ACTION:

Override of Chairman’s veto:

YES

NO

LEGISLATIVE OVERRIDE ORDER: KLO-CY-2026-0XX

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

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Legislative Order, KLO-CY-2026-00X was duly voted upon by the Legislature on _____, 2026, 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 Q. Primus II
 Speaker of the Legislature

Section 1.1 Short Title

This enactment shall be cited as “The Third Amendment to the Kiowa Tribe Sponsorship Act of 2026.”

Section 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of the Act is to determine the processes and procedures for such sponsorships.

Section 1.3 Primacy

To the extent that there is a conflict, this enactment supersedes and replaces all prior provisions enacted and any policies, regulations, or rules whether written, verbal, official, or informal.

Section 1.4 Sponsorships

- (a) Other than using the process set out in section h only those entities listed in sections e,f, and g shall be eligible to receive sponsorships.
 - (b) No money shall be spent on any sponsorship unless appropriated in an Annual Budget or modification approved by qualified voters of the Tribe if sourced from any revenue or funds controlled by the Tribe including government funding, grants, business revenue, gaming revenue, and/or funds received by the Tribe from any and all other sources.
 - (c) No money received or controlled by the Tribe or any business subsidiary from any source shall be spent on any communications, programming, broadcasts, or organizations that promote political objectives including campaigning or endorsements for or against political candidates.
 - (d) Unless done in compliance with section (h) below, payment and receipt of sponsorships to entities who are not listed in sections e,f, and g or in amounts exceeding those set out in sections e,f, and g shall constitute a violation of this law and shall be unlawful and may be prosecuted under any applicable law, including the Criminal Code or the False Claims Act.
- (e) Kiowa Tribe sponsorships shall be approved by the Kiowa Tribal Chairman, up to \$10,000, for the following Kiowa Tribal Ceremonial Societies and Groups.
1. Tohn-Kohn-Gaw
 2. Kiowa O-Ho-Mah Lodge
 3. Kiowa Gourd Clan
 4. Kiowa Tia-Piah Society of Carnegie
 5. Tia-piah Society of Oklahoma
 6. Rabbit Societies
 7. Kiowa Tribal Princess Sorority
 8. Crow/Kiowa Handgame Visitations for Oklahoma and Montana

(f) Kiowa Tribe sponsorships for Kiowa Churches shall be approved by the Kiowa Chairman, up to \$5,000. The funding for annual Christmas activities shall be limited to \$750.00. Additional Churches requesting sponsorship from the Kiowa Tribe shall have been founded in the Kiowa

Reservation Jurisdiction and must have documentation that the founding members of the church were enrolled Kiowa citizens.

1. Botone Memorial United Methodist Church
2. Cache Creek United Methodist Church
3. Cedar Creek United Methodist Church
4. Christ Our Savior Pentecostal Church, Anadarko
5. Kiowa Indian Mission Church, Carnegie OK (Former Names of the Church - Faith Nations; Pentecostal Church of God Indian Mission – White Church)
6. First American Baptist Church, Hobart
7. Hunting Horse United Methodist Church, Lawton, OK
8. Indian Capital Baptist Church, Anadarko, OK
9. JJ Methvin United Methodist Church, Anadarko, OK
10. Lil Red Church, Carnegie, OK
11. Mt. Scott United Methodist Church, Meers/Mt. Scott, OK
12. Kiowa Chapter of Native American Church
13. Rainy Mountain Kiowa Indian Baptist Church, Mountain View, OK
14. Redstone Baptist Church, Anadarko, OK
15. Victory Assembly of God, Anadarko, OK
16. Ware’s Chapel United Methodist Church, Hog Creek, OK
17. Fellowship of American Indian Church, Chickasha, OK
18. Prayer House Association, Fort Cobb, OK
19. The Impact Center, Lawton, OK

(g) The Legislature determines that the following list may apply for sponsorship under cultural organizations, if funds are available in an approved annual budget or budget modification. Each cultural organization may request up to \$2,500.

1. Kiowa War Mothers Chapter 18
2. Carnegie Victory Club
3. Chief Satanta Descendants
4. Kiowa MMIP Chapter
5. Old Chief Lonewolf Descendants
6. Carnegie High School Indian Club
7. Anadarko High School Indian Club
8. Mountain View JOM
9. American Indian Exposition
10. Hobart Powwow
11. Kiowa Women Warriors

(h) The Chairman shall create an application process for sponsorships and the Chairman shall review and approve applications in accordance with this law. The Chairman shall submit a quarterly report of all approved sponsorships to the Legislature. If the Chairman wishes to make a payment to an entity not listed in sections e,f, or g, or if the Chairman wishes to make a payment to any entity in an amount greater than those listed in sections b, c, or d, he may present a proposed justification for such payment to the Legislature. The justification must demonstrate that sufficient

funds are available in the 1% fund, and that there is good cause for paying the sponsorship. The Legislature shall consider such a request at its next order session after receipt from the Chairman, and if approved, the sponsorship shall be paid by the treasury within thirty days of the Order approving the Chairman's justification. Any recipient of a sponsorship shall submit reports of all expenditures of sponsorship monies to the Chairman and to the Legislature including receipts within forty-five (45) days of any such expenditures. Failure to submit reporting documentation and receipts consistent with the provisions of this enactment shall render the recipient ineligible for a maximum sponsorship award in the following fiscal year provided that the Legislature shall have the power to determine the scale of reduction. All recipient's ineligible for a maximum sponsorship award due to non-compliance with the reporting requirements herein shall have their eligibility for a full award restored after one fiscal year has elapsed.

(i) Kiowa Casino sponsorships are hereby prohibited until the amendment of this enactment.

Section 1.5 Effective Date

This Act shall be effective upon signature of the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe or upon signature of the Speaker of the Kiowa Legislature following legislative override of a veto by the Chairman. All timetables established by enactment of this law shall commence with any such signature.