

**RESOLUTION NO. KIC-CY-2026-\_\_\_\_\_**  
**Red Buffalo Hall, Carnegie, OK**  
**April 4, 2026**

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**KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL OF THE KIOWA TRIBE**

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT OR AMEND A P.L. 93-638  
THE TRIBE'S ANNUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT  
WITH INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE INDIAN SELF  
DETERMINATION AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
PROVIDING TRIBAL OPERATED SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Tribe (the "Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe under the Kiowa Constitution, defines a Kiowa Indian Council ("KIC"), consisting of all the enrolled Kiowa Tribal members, and an Executive Branch as a duly elected governing body of the Tribe comprising a Chairman and the Vice-Chairman, as authorized by Articles V and VII respectively, of the Constitution of the Tribe ("Constitution"); and

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Indian Council has the authority and the responsibility under the Constitution to pass laws and resolutions necessary to promote and protect health, peace, morals, education, and the general welfare of the Kiowa Tribe and authorize the executive branch to enter into any contracts on behalf of the Kiowa Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Indian Council has the authority and responsibility to act on behalf of the Kiowa Tribal members regarding their health, education and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Kiowa Indian Council recognizes that their responsibility extends to the overall improvement of health and wellness services available to enrolled members of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, to enhance the quality of health for the Tribal members, the Tribal Council desires to amend the Scope of Work in the Tribe's Annual Funding Agreement with Indian Health Services ("IHS") for the purposes of a program redesign and implementation of clinical, revenue cycle management, and pharmacy services by adding the programs, services, functions and activities with associated tribal shares or portions thereof carried out by the Tribe;

WHEREAS, offering tribally operated programs services in a clinic would enable the Tribe to provide comprehensive or portions thereof and culturally appropriate health care services in-house; and

WHEREAS, offering tribally operated health services to non-IHS beneficiaries in addition to IHS beneficiaries will not result in a denial or diminution of health services to eligible Indians;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act ("ISDEAA") at 25 U.S.C. 55321 and Subpart D of IHS's Title 1 regulations, the Kiowa Indian Council hereby requests to contract/amendment of the Tribe's Annual Funding Agreement with Indian Health Services for the purposes of a program redesign and implementation of health care services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council hereby invokes Section 813 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (Public Law 94-437, as Amended) to provide such direct care services to: 1) eligible beneficiaries and 2) non-beneficiaries, not to be at the denial or diminution of services to IHS eligible beneficiaries; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Chairman, Lawrence SpottedBird, or any subsequent duly elected Chairman, and the Director of Health Services to negotiate with the Indian Health Services for the purpose of contracting or amending the Kiowa Tribe's current Annual Funding Agreement pursuant to the provisions of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall reflect the policy of the Kiowa Tribe.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the KIOWA TRIBE at a duly called meeting on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026 having \_\_\_\_ members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yea; \_\_\_\_\_ nay; \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining.

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Council of the KIOWA TRIBE

**ATTEST:**

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Council of the KIOWA TRIBE

Approved and signed by the Chairman this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Lawrence Spottedbird, Chairman  
KIOWA TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA

**ATTEST:**

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KIOWA TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA