

NINTH LEGISLATURE  
OF THE  
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES  
8<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION  
AUGUST 13, 2022  
LCR, CONCHO, OK

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**RESOLUTION:** A Resolution for Authorization for Elder Services Funding from the Administration for Community Living/ Administration On Aging Older Americans Act Title VI Nutrition, Supportive service and caregiver Grants (Parts A/B and C) and Participation in Cycle VIII of the National Resource Center on Native American Aging Needs Assessment "Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders".

**RESOLUTION NO:** 9L-RS-2022-08-007  
**DATE INTRODUCED:** July 5, 2022  
**SPONSOR:** Travis Ruiz, Arapaho District 3  
**CO-SPONSOR:** Bruce Whiteman Jr., Cheyenne District 1

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**SUBJECT:** A Resolution for Authorization for Elder Services Funding from the Administration for Community Living/ Administration On Aging Older Americans Act Title VI Nutrition, Supportive service and caregiver Grants (Parts A/B and C) and Participation in Cycle VIII of the National Resource Center on Native American Aging Needs Assessment "Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders".

**WHEREAS:** The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are a federally recognized tribe with their own form of self-government organized under a constitution approved by Tribal membership on April 4, 2006, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior; and

**WHEREAS:** Article VII, Section 4(d) of the Constitution requires that the Legislature or Tribal Council give prior authorization for the signing of contracts by the Governor; and

**WHEREAS:** Article VI, Section 7(a) of the Constitution, the Legislative Process provides that all Bills shall be published in a Legislative Calendar for at least thirty days prior to action on Bill; and

**WHEREAS:** The Legislative Clerk published the resolution in a Legislative Calendar no later than July 13, 2022; and

**WHEREAS:** The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes have placed the elders as a priority and has established the age of fifty-five (55) as being elderly within our Tribes' due to the lower number of years of life expectancy; and

**WHEREAS:** The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Ninth Legislature finds a need to preserve and improve the standard of living, quality of life, welfare and well-being of all persons within the territorial jurisdiction of the Tribes -it is the policy of the Tribes to establish guidance and direction for the Tribes' government and to advance the general welfare of the Tribes; and

**WHEREAS:** The Legislature has the Constitutional obligation and public responsibility to the Tribes to oversee the Tribes' operations in order to establish and promote justice, establish guidance and direction for the government and advance the general welfare of the Tribes; and

**WHEREAS:** The Administration for Community Living endorses the National Resource Center on Native American Aging (NRCNAA) and its partnership with Tribal Nations to identify the needs of American Indian and Alaska Native elders nationwide via the needs assessment, in which the NRCNAA and the Tribe/Consortium assume the following responsibilities;

The NRCNNA will provide:

Needs Assessment instruments, Assistance in sampling, Training of interviewers, Consultation with interviewers via email or telephone. Data entry and analysis, Data storage on a secure server, Production of tables and comparisons with national statistics; and,

The Tribe/Consortium will provide:

A Resolution documenting participation in the needs assessment, A court of elders, Interviewers or volunteers to conduct the survey, Interpretation of the results to tribal leaders and health officials; and,

**WHEREAS:** Summary information from needs assessment along with a national comparison report will be returned to the governing authority and to the local contact person; and

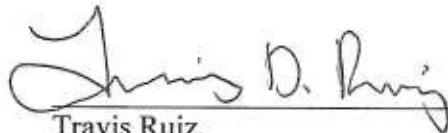
**WHEREAS:** Data sovereignty, confidentiality, and safeguarding is of utmost importance; therefore, the information is collected anonymously, data is stored on a secure server for the life of the NRCNNA, and physical copies of the needs assessment will be stored within a locked storage cabinet at the University of North Dakota (UND) School of Medicine & Health Sciences or a period of ten years as outlined in the UND's Records and Retention Schedule; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ninth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes hereby respectfully requests funding for the Administration for Community Living/ Administration on Aging Older Americans Act Title VI grants (Parts A/B and C) for the grant period of April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2026. Additionally, the Ninth Legislature authorizes participation in the "Identifying Our

Needs": A Survey of Elders needs assessment and grants permission to the National Resource Center on Native American Aging to use all collected needs assessment information in an aggregate format for disseminating state, regional results from analysis of the data.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that that specific information collected within the boundaries of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes belongs to Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes and may not be released in any form to individuals, agencies, or organizations without additional tribal authorization.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Ninth Legislature authorizes Governor Reggie Wassana to sign and submit the grant applications for Authorization for Elder Services Funding from the Administration for Community Living/ Administration On Aging Older Americans Act Title VI Nutrition, Supportive service and caregiver Grants (Parts A/B and C) and Participation in Cycle VIII of the National Resource Center on Native American Aging Needs Assessment "Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders"



Travis Ruiz,  
Speaker of the Ninth Legislature  
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



**ATTEST:**

I, Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Copy of the Original Bill No. 9L-RS-2022-08-007 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Ninth Legislature Regular Session, by a roll call vote on the 13th day of August 2022, by a vote.

**VOTE RECORD:**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Diane Willis	✓			
A2	Kendricks Sleeper	✓			
A3	Travis Ruiz	✓			
A4	Rector Candy	✓			
C1	Bruce Whiteman Jr.	✓			
C2	George Woods	✓			
C3	Darrell Flyingman	✓			
C4	Byron Byrd	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>8</b>			
Passes (X) Fails ( ) Tabled ( ) Allowed to Die ( ) No Action ( )					

*Jodi White Buffalo*

Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk  
Ninth Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



**ATTEST:**


Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: "All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless any Member of the Tribes submits to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council a petition signed by at least one hundred fifty Members of the Tribal Council seeking to repeal the law or resolution at the next Tribal Council meeting. If the Tribal Council fails to repeal such law or resolution at the next Tribal Council where the matter has been properly placed on the agenda for the Tribal Council meeting, such law or resolution shall become effective immediately."

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4, subsection (g) of the Tribes Constitution reads: "The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution."

{  } APPROVED

{  } VETOED: Attachment \_\_\_\_; Governor's written explanation of any objections.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.

  
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Reggie Wassana, Governor  
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



**TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:**

**From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management**

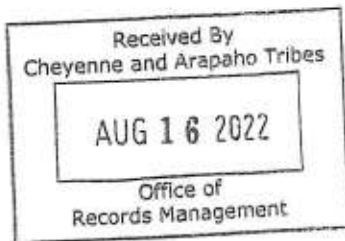
**ATTEST:**

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(v), of the Tribes Constitution reads, "The Office of Records Management shall compile all Laws and Resolutions into a comprehensive Code in an orderly manner that shall be published annually."

Office of Records Management Staff, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Original Resolution No. 9L-RS-2022-08-007.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: Cheryl Blind

Print Name: Cheryl Blind

Title: Director

Date: 8/16/22

Office of Records Management  
Department of Administration, Executive Branch  
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

