

NINTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
SPECIAL SESSION
SEPTEMBER 29, 2022
LCR, CONCHO, OK

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Appropriate up to \$400,000 and approve a contract with Wheeler Feeders for bison growing and finishing operations.

RESOLUTION NO: 9L-SS-2022-0929-010
DATE INTRODUCED: September 22, 2022
SPONSOR: Travis Ruiz, Arapaho District 3
CO-SPONSOR: Bruce Whiteman Jr., Cheyenne District 1

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Appropriate up to \$400,000 and approve a contract with Wheeler Feeders for bison growing and finishing operations.

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes ("Tribes") are federally recognized Indian tribes, Organized under a Constitution approved by Tribal membership on April 4, 2006, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) and (c) in the Constitution provides that "Legislative power shall be vested in the Legislature" and "[t]he Legislature shall have the power to make laws and resolutions in accordance with the Constitution which are necessary and proper for the good 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: Article VI, Section 5, subsection (d) grants the Legislature the Constitutional power to raise revenue and appropriate funds for expenditure; and

WHEREAS: It has been determined that the Tribes' bison grazing area is depleting and the bison are in need of special care in order to get the proper nutrients; and

WHEREAS: It has been estimated that about 500 of the bison will be transported to the Wheelers Feeders lot for growing and finishing; and

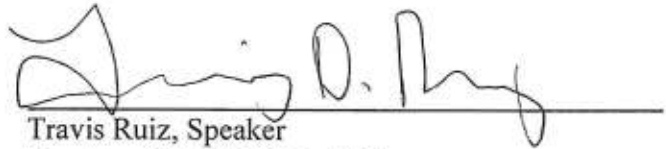
WHEREAS: Costs for providing the services for 500 head of bison could range up to \$400,000 to be paid in monthly installments, depending on the health, size, gender, success, etc. of the bison; and

WHEREAS: The bison will be placed at the lot for growing and finishing for up to 10 months; and

WHEREAS: After growing and finishing is complete, the bison will either be sold or processed for a premium price allowing for revenue to generate in order to support the program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ninth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes appropriates up to \$400,000 from **tax commission** for the finishing and growing operations for up to 500 bison; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Ninth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes supports and authorizes Governor Wassana to sign an agreement with Wheeler Feeders for the purpose of finishing and growing up to 500 of the Tribes' bison and any and all related documents.



Travis Ruiz, Speaker
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-SS-2022-0929-010 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Ninth Legislature Special Session, by a roll call vote on the 29th day of September 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		✓		
TOTAL		4	1		3
Passes (X) Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					


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 (10) days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten (10) days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution."

{ } APPROVED

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

On the 29th day of September, 2022.



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-SS-2022-0929-010.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management



Signature: *A. Ortega*

Print Name: Anianne Ortega

Title: Records clerk

Date: 9/30/22

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

