



# Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

RESOLUTION #16-06  
FEBRUARY 10, 2016

## RESOLUTION

- Whereas,** The Pawnee Business Council is the supreme governing body of the Pawnee Nation and is authorized to conduct business on behalf of the Pawnee Nation in accordance with Article IV, Sections 1 and 2 of the Pawnee Nation Constitution and By-Laws; and
- Whereas,** The Pawnee Business Council met in special session on February 10, 2016, at the Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Building, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation expresses its interest in participating in and approves the implementation of the Land Buy-Back Program for the Tribal Nations; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation designates Mr. Andrew Knife Chief, Executive Director, Pawnee Nation as the tribal point of contact (POC) for the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations, with the Authority to represent the Nation during the Nation's participation in the Program; and
- Whereas,** Pursuant to United States Code Title 25, Section 2216(e), the Pawnee Nation requests a list of names and mailing addresses of owners, information on the location of the tracts, and the percentage of undivided interest(s) held by each owner; and
- Whereas,** the Pawnee Nation acknowledges that the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations may extend offers for fractional land interest(s) on tracts with improvements if a lease is recorded in the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) title system; and
- Whereas,** while the improvements themselves will not be acquired, their existence will be considered in determining the fair market value of the underlying tract of land; the Pawnee Nation acknowledges that all program transfers into tribal trust ownership are subject to the terms of the existing leases and encumbrances on the land; and
- Whereas,** for tracts with improvements but without a lease recorded by the BIA, the Pawnee Nation requests that the Program include offers for fractional interest(s) on such tracts; the Pawnee Nation will provide lease opportunities to individuals living on tracts with improvements but without a recorded lease.

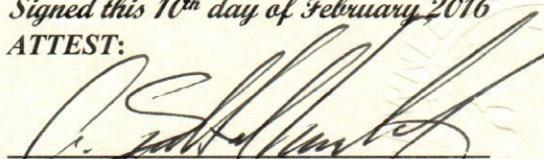
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Pawnee Business Council does hereby request to be included in the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations.

## CERTIFICATION

I, Adrian Spottedhorsechief, Interim Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a regular meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2016, and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of seven members, of whom 7 were present, 0 absent, comprising a quorum; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by a vote of 6 for, 0 against, 0 abstaining, and 1 not voting.

*Signed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016*

ATTEST:

  
Adrian Spottedhorsechief, Interim Secretary  
Pawnee Business Council

  
W. Bruce Pratt, President  
Pawnee Business Council