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 December 14, 2017, at the Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Building, duly authorized, with a quorum present; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council recognizes the importance to develop, manage, and preserve the surface and ground water resources for the protection of the cultural and spiritual values, and the health, welfare, and the economic security of the citizens of the Pawnee Nation; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Business Council recognizes the interconnection of surface water and ground water as a conjunctive resource and is protected under the Federal Indian Reserved Rights Doctrine; and

Whereas, the Pawnee Nation Water Resource Use and Permitting Statute will provide for the protection of natural resources within the Pawnee Nation. This Statute will establish the requirements of permitting, notification, reporting and monitoring water resource use within the Pawnee Nation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pawnee Business Council does hereby approve Chapter 15 Water Resource Use and Permitting of the Title XII Pawnee Nation Natural Resource Protection Act.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Act shall be effective immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I, Patricia McCray, Secretary of the Pawnee Business Council, certify that a Special Meeting of the Pawnee Business Council was held on the 14th day of December 2017 and that the Pawnee Business Council is composed of eight members of whom _7_ were present, _1_ absent, compromising a quorum, and the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by a vote of _6_ for, _0_ against, _0_ abstaining, and _1_ not voting.

Signed this 14th day of December 2017

ATTTEST:

Patricia McCray, Secretary
Pawnee Nation Business Council

W. Bruce Pratt, President
Pawnee Nation Business Council