



KIOWA TRIBE

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OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATURE

KIOWA TRIBE RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2017-024

THE LAND OFFICE ESTABLISHMENT AND LAND ACQUISITION ACT OF 2017

At a duly called Session of the Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe held this 10th day of June 2017, the following Resolution and Law were adopted.

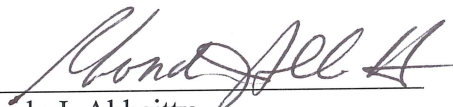
WHEREAS; the Legislature is vested with the authority to pass laws and resolutions pursuant to Article VI, Section 6(a) of the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe; and,

WHEREAS; the Legislature hereby finds and declares that it is in the best interest of the Tribe to establish a Land Office to acquire additional lands including allotments and interests in allotments held by members of the Tribe and others.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE IT RESOLVED; that the Legislature hereby enacts the attached law entitled, "The Land Office Establishment and Land Acquisition Act of 2017".

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution KL-CY-2017-024, was duly voted upon by the Legislature on September 09, 2017, at a Session with a vote of (7) favor, (0) opposed, (0) abstaining, and (0) absent, pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.


Rhonda J. Ahhatty
Secretary of the Legislature



LEGISLATURE - RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2017-024:

SPONSOR: Renee M. Plata, Secretary of the Legislature

CO-SPONSOR: Rhonda Ahhaitty, Secretary of the Legislature; Ronald Poolaw, Sr., Legislator; Anita Onco-Johnson, Legislator; G. Dave Geimausaddle, Legislator; Modina Waters, Legislator; Ben Wolf, Legislator.

LEGISLATORS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Renee M. Plata	X			
Rhonda J. Ahhaitty	X			
Ronald C. Poolaw, Sr.	X			
Dave Geimausaddle	X			
Anita Onco-Johnson	X			
Modina M. Waters	X			
Ben Wolf	X			

DELIVERY OF THE RESOLUTION AND LAW TO THE CHAIRMAN

Resolution No. KL-CY-2017-024, was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the 12th, day of September 2017, pursuant to the Article VI, Section 8(a)(iv) of the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe, and will become effective after signature by the Chairman or veto override by the Legislature, and as otherwise required by the Constitution.


Rhonda J. Ahhaitty
Secretary of the Legislature

CHAIRMAN'S ACTION:

APPROVED

VETO - RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

On this ____ day of _____, 201__.

Chairman

Presented by the Chairman to the Legislature on the ____ day of _____, 201__.

LEGISLATURE'S ACTION:

Override of Chairman's veto:

YES

NO

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Rhonda J. Ahhaitty				
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Section 1.1 Short Title

This enactment shall be known as the “The Land Office Establishment and Land Acquisition Act of 2017” (“Act”).

Section 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to establish a Land Office to reacquire and restore lands to the Tribe, and to address other land-related matters for the Tribe as authorized by law.

Section 1.3 Findings

The Tribe has current and future needs for real property for housing, community development, government facilities and infrastructure, protection of historic and cultural resources, economic development, and restoration of the Tribe’s land base; therefore, the Legislature has determined that the acquisition of real property including allotments and interests in allotment is in the best interest of the Tribe.

Section 1.4 Land Office

(a) There is hereby established a Department of Land, which shall be known as the Land Office (“Land Office”). The Land Office shall be located with the Executive branch of government, and shall include one Director selected upon nomination by the Chairman and confirmation by the Legislature.

(b) The Land Office shall develop, plan, and coordinate activities associated with the Tribe’s lands and the acquisition of additional lands by the Tribe.

(c) The Land Office shall develop a short-term plan and a long-term plan for the acquisition of additional lands by the Tribe.

(d) The Land Office shall take all steps necessary to participate in to the fullest extent possible, and to take advantage of the benefits of, the federal land buyback program established in conjunction with the Cobell settlement, and in any other federal or private programs or services to assist with the acquisition of lands by the Tribe. Involving but not limited to cooperative agreements with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

(e) The Land Office is hereby authorized and directed to purchase all allotments and interests in allotments that may become available from time to time and that are owned in whole or in part by members of the Tribe and/or others, subject to an appropriation of funds in an Annual Budget or budget modification for such purposes. The Land Office shall promptly notify the Speaker of the Legislature of any and all allotments or interests in allotments owned by members of the Tribe and/or others that become available for purchase by the Tribe.