



# KIOWA TRIBE

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### RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2021-0004

#### ELIMINATION OF THE USE OF NATIVE IMAGERY AS MASCOTS IN THE STATE OF COLORADO

At a duly called Regular Session of the Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe held on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021, the following Resolution was 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 Kiowa Tribe is vested with the sacred duty to protect the physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual wellbeing of its most treasured gifts – its children; and,

**WHEREAS;** The continued use of Native imagery for race-based Indian logo, mascot, and name symbolism has a profound negative impact on the psyche of American Indian children as proven by the research of Dr. Cornel Pewewardy, Dr. Stephanie Fryberg and others; and,

**WHEREAS;** The State of Colorado is considering legislation to ban use of Native imagery by its public schools to prohibit continued use of stereotypes which detracts from the proud history, cultures, and traditions of Native peoples, and is harmful to Native children; and,

**WHEREAS;** The Kiowa Legislature supports the efforts of their fellow Legislators in the State of Colorado to eliminate continued use of race-based Native logos, mascots, and names from its public schools; and,

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE IT RESOLVED;** that the Kiowa Legislature hereby calls for the elimination of race-based Native logos, mascots, and names from public schools in the State of Colorado.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was duly voted upon by the Legislature on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at a meeting with a vote of (5) in favor and (2) opposed, (0) absent, and (0) abstaining pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

Anita Onco Johnson, District V  
Legislative Secretary

**LEGISLATURE – RESOLUTION NUMBER: KL-CY-2021-0004**

**SPONSOR:** Jacob Tsotigh, District VII of the Kiowa Tribe Legislature.

| LEGISLATORS                   | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|-------------------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Kyle Ataddlety<br>District I  |     | X  |         |        |
| Michael Primus<br>District II | X   |    |         |        |
| Marilyn Bread<br>District III | X   |    |         |        |
| Jessie Svitak<br>District IV  |     | X  |         |        |
| Anita Johnson<br>District V   | X   |    |         |        |
| Ben Wolf<br>District VI       | X   |    |         |        |
| Jacob Tsotigh<br>District VII | X   |    |         |        |

**DELIVERY OF THE RESOLUTION AND LAW TO THE CHAIRMAN**

**Resolution No. KL-CY-2021-0004**, was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021, 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.

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Anita Johnson, District V  
Legislative Secretary

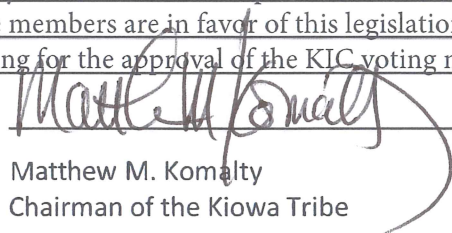
**CHAIRMAN'S ACTION:**

APPROVED

VETO – RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

Without a documented survey or a professional analysis of the Kiowa People, there is no supportive documentation that the majority of the Kiowa Tribe members are in favor of this legislation. This document is better served to be presented at a KIC Annual Meeting for the approval of the KIC voting members.

On this 20th day of May, 2021.

  
Matthew M. Komalty  
Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe

**LEGISLATURE'S ACTION:**

**Override of Chairman's veto:**

YES

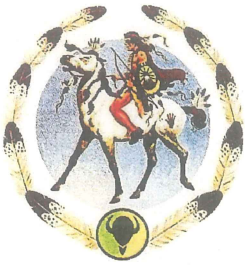
NO

| LEGISLATORS                    | YES | NO | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
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**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing **Resolution KL-CY-2021-0004**, was duly voted upon by the **Kiowa Tribe Legislature** at a duly called \_\_\_\_\_ **Session** \_\_\_\_\_, **2021**, with a vote of ( ) in favor and ( ) opposed, ( ) abstaining, and ( ) absent, pursuant to the authority vested in the Kiowa Tribe Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

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Anita Johnson, District V Legislator  
Legislative Secretary



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**EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

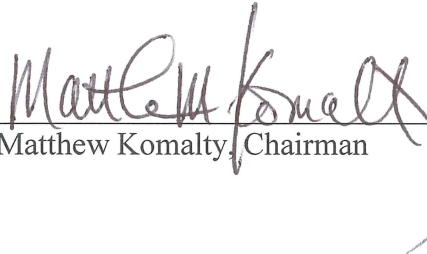
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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 20, 2021  
**TO:** Marilyn Bread, Kiowa Legislature Speaker  
**FROM:** Matthew M. Komalty, Chairman  
**RE:** Review/Response of Resolutions Regular Session XLIX May 8, 2021

Below are the Resolutions/Bills that I have reviewed and signed.

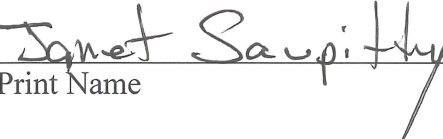
1. Resolution KL-CY-2021-0004; Elimination of the Use of Native Imagery as Mascots in the State of Colorado – **VETO**
2. Resolution KL-CY-2021-0005; Authorization of Conduct Business with the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians – **VETO**

  
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Matthew Komalty, Chairman

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Received by: Signature

5-20-2021  
Date

  
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## MEMORANDUM

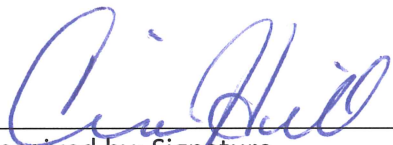
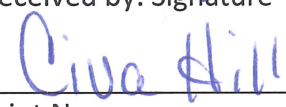
TO: Matthew M. Komalty, Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe  
FROM: Marilyn Bread, Legislative Speaker , District III **MKB**  
DATE: Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
SUBJECT: Approval of Resolutions/Bills of The Kiowa Tribe, Legislative Regular Session XLIX

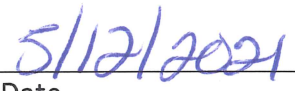
The Kiowa Legislature held Regular Session XLIX on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as specified in the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe. The Legislature approved Resolution/Bill KL-CY-2021-0004, please see attachment for the Chairman’s approval or veto.

- **Resolution KL-CY-2021-0004; Elimination of the Use of Native Imagery as Mascots in the State of Colorado**

The Kiowa Tribe Legislature is required to request and received back the resolution/laws within ten (10) days of presentment in accordance with the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe, **ARTICLE VII – EXECUTIVE BRANCH: (f) *The Chairman shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto with written explanations any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage and presentment of a certified enactment from the Legislature to the Chairman; provided, that if the Chairman takes no action within ten days, the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution.***

Should you have any other questions, please contact the Legislative Clerk at [jsaupitty@kiowatribe.org](mailto:jsaupitty@kiowatribe.org). Thank you.

  
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