



# KIOWA TRIBE

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## LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION KL-CY-2023-015

### KIOWA TRIBE ANNUAL BUDGET TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2023

At a duly called Session of the Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe held this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023, the following Resolution was adopted.

**WHEREAS;** The Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe holds the power to enact laws and resolutions as stated in Article VI, Section 6(a) of the Kiowa Tribe Constitution.

**WHEREAS;** The purpose of this resolution is to ensure transparency and accountability by presenting and discussing the Kiowa Tribe's Annual Budget Appropriation through a clear and comprehensive narrative procedure each year.

**WHEREAS;** the Importance of the "Kiowa Tribe Annual Budget Transparency Act of 2023":

1) *Ensuring Accountability* - The act is crucial in holding Tribal Officials accountable for the effective and efficient use of tribal funds.

2) *Upholding Integrity* - The Kiowa Tribe is committed to maintaining a high standard of integrity when it comes to the allocation of Tribal funds.

3) *Building Trust* - Through a transparent annual budget appropriation process, the act promotes trust among Kiowa Citizens, ensuring that their views and interests are respected and that tribal funds are utilized responsibly.

**WHEREAS;** the Kiowa Tribe approves a yearly budget, starting each year on July 1st and concluding on June 30th. This tribal budget is voted on and supported by eligible voters of the Kiowa Tribe, in accordance with the Constitution.

**WHEREAS;** the Kiowa Tribe Executive Branch is responsible for creating a comprehensive annual budget narrative. This document includes a summary and detailed line-item breakdown of the annual budget, as well as reports from various programs and departments. The Executive Branch will present, process, and distribute to Kiowa Citizens prior to the annual budget election.

**NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED;** the Legislature, approves and enacts "Kiowa Tribe Annual Budget Transparency Act of 2023".

### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution KL-CY-2023-015 was duly voted upon by the Legislature on October 14, 2023, at a Legislative Resolution Session LXXVIII (78 ), with a vote of (7) in favor and (0 ) opposed, (0) abstaining, and (0) according to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

  
Anita Johnson  
Secretary of the Legislature

Tribe Website: August 03, 2023. Read into record by: Warren Queton, District 7, on Legislative Regular Session LXXVII-(77), August 12, 2023. Legislative Regular Session LXXVIII-(78), September 09, 2023. Legislative Public Hearing X-15, 2023. Legislative Regular Session LXXVIII-(78), October 14, 2023.

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**LEGISLATURE - RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2023-015:**

**SPONSOR:** Warren Queton, District 7 Legislator

**CO-SPONSOR(S):** Kyle Ataddlety, District 1 Legislator; Michael Primus, District 2 Legislator; Tim Satepauhoodle, District 3 Legislator; Alana Quetone, District 4 Legislator; Anita Johnson, District 5 Legislator; Ben Wolf, District 6 Legislator.

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héngyádàu
Kyle Ataddlety District #1	X			
Michael Primus District #2	X			
Timothy Satepauhoodle District #3	X			
Alana Quetone District #4	X			
Anita Johnson District #5	X			
Ben Wolf District #6	X			
Warren Queton District #7	X			

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

Resolution No. **KL-CY-2023-015** was presented to the Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe on the **19th** day of **October, 2023**, 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.

  
**Anita Onco-Johnson**  
**Secretary of the Legislature**

**CHAIRMAN'S ACTION:**

APPROVED

VETO - RETURNED TO LEGISLATURE WITH EXPLANATION:

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On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

  
Lawrence Spottedbird  
Chairman of the Kiowa Tribe

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Presented by the Vice-Chairman to the Legislature on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

**LEGISLATURE'S ACTION:**

**Override of Chairman's veto:**

YES

NO

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution KL-CY-2023-XXX was duly voted upon by the Legislature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, at a Legislative Order Session with a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_\_\_ opposed, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstaining, and \_\_\_\_\_ absent. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

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Anita Johnson  
Secretary of the Legislature

LEGISLATORS	YES Hàu	NO Hàu:né	ABSTAIN Háun á	ABSENT Héngyáðàu
Kyle Ataddlety District #1				
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Ben Wolf District #6				
Warren Queton District #7				

### **Section 1.1 Short Title**

This enactment shall be known as the “Kiowa Tribe Annual Budget Transparency Act of 2023”.

### **Section 1.2 Purpose**

The purpose of the resolution is to direct Kiowa Tribe Executive Branch to create a comprehensive annual budget narrative. This document includes a summary and detailed line-item breakdown of the annual budget, as well as reports from various programs and departments. It will be presented, processed, and distributed prior to the annual election of the Kiowa Tribe.

### **Section 1.3 Findings**

The Legislature hereby finds and declares that:

(a) Kiowa Tribe Citizens needs more informative detailed information regarding the full disclosure of the Annual Budget Appropriation, to exercise their right to vote in the Annual Election of the Kiowa Tribe.

(b) The Executive Branch will publish and distribute the budget in accordance with the Kiowa Tribe Constitution, Article VI, Section 6, Powers, (ii) The annual budget shall include appropriation of operating funds for the Council, the Legislature, the Executive Branch, and the Judicial Branch. The annual budget shall include all revenue and funds controlled by the Tribe including government funding, grants, business revenue, gaming revenue, and all revenue and funds received by the Tribe from all sources.