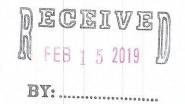
## KIOWA TRIBE KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 6, 2019



## RED BUFFALO HALL, CARNEGIE, OK RESOLUTION NUMBER: <u>KIC-CY-0045-2019</u>

DATE POSTED:

**DATE APPROVED:** 

**SUBJECT:** 

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTIONS 1,2,3,4 TO DESCENDANCY

WHEREAS:

The Kiowa Tribe is a sovereign nation since time immemorial and is federally recognized as a Tribal Government by the United States; and,

WHEREAS:

The Kiowa Tribe is organized under a Constitution approved by tribal membership on April 17, 2017, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs on May 5, 2017; and,

WHEREAS:

Article V, section 3(b) of the Constitution grants the Kiowa Indian Council the power to set policy for the Tribe, and shall have all other powers and duties specifically provided by the Constitution

WHEREAS:

We, the members of the Kiowa Indian Council of the Kiowa Tribe, under the authority granted to the Kiowa Indian Council by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe, in order to preserve for ourselves and our children the inherent sovereign rights of our Indian nations, governed under the laws of the Kiowa Constitution, to preserve Kiowa cultural values, and promote the health, safety and welfare of the Kiowa people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution; and

WHEREAS:

The Kiowa Tribe is seeking a long term solution to meet the needs of our population in the future. The Kiowa Tribe through it's blood quantum requirements has since losing continuously its membership, language, culture and even financial opportunities because of declining enrollment. To preserve losing our future population it will be beneficial to amend the enrollment status to descendancy.

NOW THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Kiowa Indian Council hereby; Amends Constitution Article VI Sections, 1,2,3, and 4 to Article VI, membership to be based on descendancy from Original Allottees of the Kiowa Tribe. This amendment will

broaden the population of the Kiowa Tribe to include any and all descendants of the Original Allottees and will preserve the future of our membership and self-determination into the future generations.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the applicants will have documentation and proof of their descendancy on record at the Bureau of Indian Affairs. And that current enrolled members of the Kiowa Tribe will retain their enrollment status. Following the approval by vote, all new applicants will provide documentation to the enrollment office of their descendancy. This will include parent(s), grandparent(s), great-grandparent(s) who were enrolled Kiowa members. Enrollment will forward applicants for approval by the Legislature in a duly called meeting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this resolution shall be the policy of the Kiowa Tribe until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

2019 KIOWA INDIAN CO	OUNCIL OF THE KIOWA TRIB	E
Chairperson		
ATTEST:		
Secretary, Kiowa Indian Council KIOWA INDIAN COUNCIL, RESOLUTION NO		

## **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was duly voted upon by the 2019 Annual Kiowa Indian Council of the Kiowa Tribe; was present at the duly called Annual Kiowa Indian Council Meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019, and that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the affirmative vote:

For:	Opposed:	Abstention:	
		Secretary, Kiowa Indian Council	