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KIOWA TRIBE
RESOLUTION NO. KL-CY-2020-_____

KIOWA TRIBE CHARTER OF BACONE COLLEGE AS A TRIBAL COLLEGE
ACT OF 2020

At a duly called Session of the Legislature of the Kiowa Tribe held this 8th day of February 2020, 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 Kiowa Tribe is a federally-recognized tribal government interested in providing post-secondary educational opportunities for its tribal members and therefore wants to charter Bacone College as a Tribal College; and

WHEREAS, The Kiowa Tribe’s charter of Bacone College will improve the future sustainability of Bacone College and its efforts to revitalize the education of American Indian students, and further leverage donors and potential donors to invest in Bacone College; and

WHEREAS, Bacone College currently offers Associate and Bachelor degree programs that will benefit the Kiowa tribal student as well as tribal students within and surrounding the Kiowa Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception as the Indian University on February 9, in 1880 Bacone College has continuously operated and fulfilled its original purpose of serving Indian students; and

WHEREAS, Bacone College presently seeks to become a tribal college eligible to receive annual appropriation pursuant to the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-471), 25 U.S.C. s 1801 et seq., and eligible for membership in the American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC), which was founded in 1973; and

Posted by the Kiowa Legislature on January 6, 2020 for the February 8, 2020, XXXIII, Legislative Session.
WHEREAS, To apply for one of the membership categories of AIHEC, a Tribal College candidate must be a "Subdivision of a government of an American Indian tribe, Alaska Native village, or Alaska Native corporation or has been chartered, sanctioned, or formally established by a federally recognized tribal government or an Alaska Native corporation;" and

WHEREAS, The Kiowa Tribe is proud to charter Bacone College as a Tribal College and requests AIHEC to approve Bacone College as a Tribal College; and

WHEREAS, Be it further resolved that the Kiowa Tribe requests long-time stakeholders to continue to supporting Bacone College for the future higher educational opportunities that will benefit the Kiow Tribe and other American Indian students without any financial commitment from Kiowa Tribe only.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that the Legislature does hereby approve to charter Bacone College as a Tribal College.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution No. KL-CY-2019-____ was duly voted upon by the Legislature on February 8, 2019, at a Session with a vote of _____ in favor and _____ opposed _____ abstaining, and _____ absent, pursuant to the authority vested in the Legislature by the Constitution of the Kiowa Tribe.

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Angela McCarthy
Speaker of the Legislature

Posted by the Kiowa Legislature on January 6, 2020 for the February 8, 2020, XXXIII, Legislative Session.
Section 1.1  **Short Title**

This enactment shall be known as the Kiowa Tribe "Charter of Bacone College as a Tribal College Act of 2020." ("Act").

Section 1.2  **Purpose**

The purpose of this Act is to charter Bacone College to become a tribal college eligible to receive annual appropriation pursuant to the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-471), 25 U.S C. s 1801 et seq., and eligible for membership in the American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC), which was founded in 1973; and to apply for one of the membership categories of AIHEC.

Section 1.3  **Findings**

(a) The Tribe is supportive of chartering Bacone College.

(b) Over the years numerous Kiowa tribal members have attended and completed their studies at Bacone College.

(c) The Tribe is interested in seeing post-secondary educational opportunities for its tribal members and therefore wants to charter Bacone College as a Tribal College.

(d) The Tribe supports Bacone College to further leverage donors and potential donors to invest in Bacone College.

Section 1.4  **Charter of Bacone College**

The Tribe requests long-time stakeholders to continue supporting Bacone College for the further higher educational opportunities that will benefit the Kiowa Tribe and other American Indian students without any financial commitment from the Kiowa Tribe only.