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CHICKASAW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE

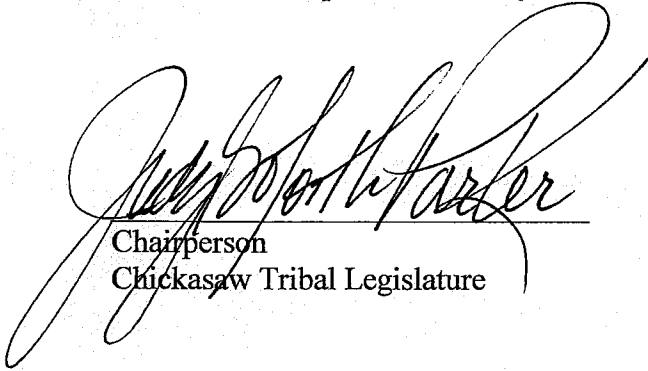
General Resolution Number 26-039

Authorization for Chickasaw Nation Health System to Apply for the U.S. Indian Health Service Native American Research Center for Health (NARCH) 6 Grant

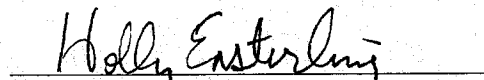
- WHEREAS,** in accordance with Article VII, Section 4 and 7 of the Constitution of the Chickasaw Nation, the Chickasaw Tribal Legislature shall enact rules and regulations pertaining to the Chickasaw Nation, and shall make decisions pertaining to the acquisition, leasing, disposition and management of real property, subject to federal law, and
- WHEREAS,** in accordance with Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Chickasaw Nation, the Governor shall perform all duties appertaining to the Office of Chief Executive. He shall sign official papers on behalf of the Nation, and
- WHEREAS,** the Indian Health Service (IHS) in association with the National Institute Of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), has announced the intent to fund competitive grants to fund Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) in FY 2010, and
- WHEREAS,** application for the NARCH program must be made by federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia with collaborations with academic research centers and universities required, and
- WHEREAS,** the Cherokee Nation along with the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center is interested in partnering with the Chickasaw Nation to facilitate the performance of the NARCH grant project, and
- WHEREAS,** the Chickasaw Nation recognizes that improving the health of its citizens can be furthered by improving the ability of the tribal health system to compete for a grant that would enhance our knowledge of well-defined chronic and infectious diseases and health conditions that affect members of the Nation; by developing and evaluating interventions to reduce health disparities and to enhance the strengths and resiliencies of Native communities and individuals; by developing a cadre of American Indian scientists and health professionals that is competitive for federal research funding; and by increasing the capability of both the Chickasaw Nation Health System and the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center to work in partnership to produce competitive grants and specialty health services for the benefit of Oklahoma American Indians, and
- WHEREAS,** the Chickasaw Nation has instituted an Institutional Review Board (IRB) to review, approve and monitor tribal research projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chickasaw Tribal Legislature hereby approves the Chickasaw Nation Health System to apply for an IHS Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) grant to be awarded for FY 2010.

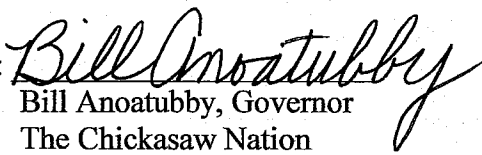
Executed in regular session of the Chickasaw Tribal Legislature, meeting at Ada, Oklahoma, on April 17, 2009, by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.



Chairperson
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature



Secretary
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

Concur: 
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
The Chickasaw Nation

Date: APR 17 2009

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Explanation: This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation Health System (CNHS) to apply for an IHS-NARCH grant. The Chickasaw Nation Health System along with the Cherokee, Choctaw and Creek Nations would partner with the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (OUHSC) to conduct tribally driven research projects, and develop the capacity of student and faculty researchers. Since, 2000, the Chickasaw Nation has had a successful and ongoing relationship with OUHSC and the other tribes through past NARCH grants

Award Information: The grant award amount is up to \$800,000 for the total partnership up to four years.

Methods: The CNHS would approve prospective research projects through the tribal Institutional Review Board, and collaborate with OUHSC and other tribes to facilitate and complete such projects. The Cherokee Nation will submit the grant for this NARCH cycle. CNHS will obtain funds through a subcontract with the Cherokee Nation.

Presented by: Human Resources Committee
Dean McManus, Committee Chair