

**TO APPROVE A REPRESENTATIVE-SIGNATURE-CERTIFIER AND ADMINISTRATORS FOR THE
2024 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DISTANCE LEARNING AND
TELEMEDICINE (DLT) GRANT**

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE a Representative-Signature-Certifier and Administrators for the Choctaw Nation's award to the United States Department of Agriculture for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Grant (agreement # OK0706-K16).

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nation (the "Nation") realizes the value of expanding the telepresence of the School of Choctaw Language to additional schools and classrooms within the Sovereign Reservation;

WHEREAS, finds it is in the best interest of the Nation to approve a Representative-Signature-Certifier and Administrators for the DLT grant award;

WHEREAS, funds for DLT meets the Nation's strategic goals of strengthening the sovereignty of the Nation through expansion of Choctaw Language services, as well as achieving digital, data, and communication transformation.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Council Bill be cited as approval of Representative-Signature-Certifier and Administrators to the United States Department of Agriculture for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant (agreement # OK0706-K16).

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Council Bill be cited as approval that Gary Batton, Chief of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, has the assigned Representative-Signature-Certifier security role on behalf of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, who shall be responsible for providing electronic signatures, authorizing certifications, entering and updating applications, submitting applications for consideration, and assigning access to new users in the United States Department of Agriculture's ("USDA") online application system for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant. If application(s) are awarded under either program, the Representative-Signature-Certifier security role on behalf of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma shall also be responsible for authorizing certifications, entering, updating, and submitting compliance reports, and assigning access to new users in USDA's online financial reporting and compliance system.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Council Bill be cited as approval that Delene Rawls has the assigned Administrator security role on behalf of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, who shall be responsible for assigning access to new users, and entering and updating applications in USDA's online application system for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant. If application(s) are awarded under either program, the Administrator(s) security role on behalf of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma shall also be responsible for assigning access to new users, and entering, updating, and submitting compliance reports in USDA's online financial reporting and compliance system.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Council Bill be cited as acknowledgement that the Representative-Signature-Certifier and Administrator(s) for the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma shall comply fully with all security procedures and policies of the on line application system for the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant and USDA's online financial reporting and compliance system.

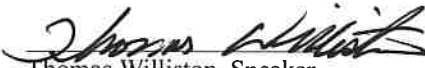
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CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tvshka Homma, Oklahoma on March 8, 2025. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 42 -25 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.



Ronald Perry, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Thomas Williston, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 3-10-25

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Purpose/Need of Council Bill: To approve a Representative-Signature-Certifier and Administrators for the application for the 2024 United States Department of Agriculture Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant (Agreement # OK0706-K16).

FY24 DLT funding extends the current DLT funds to expand access of the Choctaw School of Language to additional schools and classrooms within the Sovereign Reservation.

Strategic Goal: This grant program will meet the strategic goals of protecting and promoting Choctaw Culture and Exercising Sovereignty while also achieving digital, data, and communication transformation.

Title of Council Bill: TO APPROVE A REPRESENTATIVE-SIGNATURE-CERTIFIER AND ADMINISTRATORS FOR THE 2024 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DISTANCE LEARNING AND TELEMEDICINE (DLT) GRANT

Agency: Department of Agriculture; Rural Utilities Service

CNO Department: Choctaw School of Language

Request by Project Director/SEO: Angie Williston, Project Director; Jason Campbell, Senior Director of Education; Amanda Johnson, Executive Director of Education; Stacy Shepherd, Executive Officer of Member Services; Teresa Jackson, SEO