RESOLUTION # 04-01

PRIZING THE CITIZEN POTAWATO

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITIZEN POTAWATOMI NATION'S "CENTER-BASED, VOUCHER AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM CHILD CARE SERVICES" APPLICATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT FUND OFFERED THROUGH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THROUGH THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS 477 PROGRAM.

- WHEREAS, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation is a federally recognized tribe of American Indians with constitutional authority authorized under the Oklahoma Indian Welfare Act of June 26, 1936, (49 Stat. 1967); and
- WHEREAS, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, the largest of the Potawatomi Indian Tribes, has, through a history of organized self-government since time immemorial, sovereign powers inherent in Tribal tradition and recognized by treaties with the United States and in the United States Constitution; and
- WHEREAS, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Constitution provides that according to Article 7, Section 2, "Subject to any limitations in this Constitution, and except for those powers expressly reserved to the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Indian Council by this Constitution, or delegated to another entity by this Constitution, the Business Committee of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation is empowered to enact legislation, transact business, and otherwise speak and act on behalf of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation in all matters on which the Nation is empowered to act now or in the future," except those relating to trust fund expenditures, trust land indebtedness and claims or treaties with the United States; and
- WHEREAS, there exists a continuing need to provide center-based, voucher, and after school program child care services for Native American children under the age of 13, as evidenced by the child count of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation tribal service area being 9,634; and

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- WHEREAS, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Tribal service area encompasses the children whose parents reside or work within the boundaries of the declared Tribal service area, being defined as Pottawatomie County, Cleveland County, the Eastern half of Oklahoma County, including Oklahoma City and areas adjacent to the nine Potawatomi Regional Offices; and
- WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services through the Bureau of Indian Affairs "477 Program" provides grants for the ongoing support of center- based, voucher, and after school program child care services up to a maximum of \$1,668,000 as provided by the CCDF Day Care Funds; and
- WHEREAS, the center-based, voucher and after school program will provide Native American families with quality day care facilities in which to leave their children.
- **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Business Committee hereby authorizes and fully supports the entire application submitted to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the Fiscal Year 2004 CCDF Day Care Funds Program for the continued support of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation's center-based, voucher and after school program child care services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by act of this resolution, the Business Committee of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation hereby authorizes the appropriation of \$1,668,000 from CCDF Day Care Funds FY 2004, if funded, for the ongoing support of its center-based, voucher and after school program child care services by negotiation, operation, enforcement, procurement, settlement, and or completion of this contract or agreement by the Tribal Chairman or his designate.

CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned members of the Business Committee of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of Resolution #POTT 04-01, as approved on the 2nd day of July , 2003 with \checkmark voting for, and \checkmark voting opposed, and \checkmark absent or abstaining.

John A. Barrett, Jr.

Chairman

D. Wayne Trousdale,

Secretary/Treasurer