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**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**CITIZEN BAND POTAWATOMI SECRETARIAL ELECTION**  
**April 3, 1989**

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT A:**

Approval of Amendment A

☐ YES                      ☐ NO

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT A:**

If approved, Amendment A would eliminate the 1/8 blood degree requirement for Tribal membership, and provide for membership by descendency, with a provision that new enrollees who were not previously eligible for membership would be ineligible to participate in certain Tribal programs. This amendment will significantly increase tribal membership and the number of individuals eligible for Federal services. The increase in membership will not affect availability of Tribal programs funded with trust assets to those currently eligible for membership since new members with less than 1/8th blood degree will not be eligible for such programs (see subsection g). However, it cannot be assumed that there will be an immediate, if any, increase in Federal program funding equal to the rate of increase in tribal membership.

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**CONSTITUTION**  
**of the**

**CITIZEN BAND POTAWATOMI INDIAN TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA**  
**AMENDMENT A**

Section 1, Article 3 — Membership of the Tribe, shall be amended to read as follows:

- (a) All persons of Indian blood who were bonafide members of the Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian Tribe of Oklahoma and who were enrolled or were entitled to be enrolled on the official census roll of the Band as of January 1, 1937.
- (b) Each child of Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian blood born since the date of said roll of whose parents is or was a member of the Band.
- (c) Each child of Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian blood of a marriage between a member of the Band and any other person.
- (d) As used in this Article, the term "a member of the Band" means a member of the Band at the time of the child's birth, or, in the case of a posthumous child, if membership rights are claimed through the deceased parent, the parent was a member of the Band at the time of death.
- (e) The burden of proof as to eligibility for membership in the Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian Tribe of Oklahoma will be on the claimant for membership in each case.
- (f) The Business Committee shall have power to prescribe rules and regulations, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior or his authorized representative, covering future membership including adoptions and the loss of membership.
- (g) Any member who is enrolled after the effective date of this amendment, who was not otherwise eligible for enrollment, shall not be eligible to participate in the scholarship or prosthetic programs which were developed from Judgment Funds awarded in Dockets 14-K, 29-J, 217, 15-M, 29-K and 146.

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#### AMENDMENT B:

Approval of proposed Amendment:

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YES

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NO

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#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT B:

If approved, Amendment B would change the terms of office for Business Committee members from two (2) years to four (4) years. Therefore, Article 6 — Executive Officers and Article 7 — Business Committee, would be amended accordingly. Article 12 — Elections would be amended to provide for the new terms (4 years) to become effective with the next regular election of Business Committee members, following approval. The next regular tribal election for Business Committee members is scheduled for June 1989.

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#### AMENDMENT B

Article 6 Section 1, Article 7 Section 1, and Article 12 Section 1 & 3 shall be amended to read as follows:

##### ARTICLE 6 — EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Section 1. The Executive Officers of the Tribe shall be the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and a Secretary/Treasurer who shall serve for four year terms of office and until their successors shall be qualified and installed in office.

##### ARTICLE 7 — BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Section 1. There shall be a Business Committee which shall consist of the Executive Officers as provided in Article 6 and two Councilmen who shall serve for four year terms and until their successors be qualified and installed in office.

##### ARTICLE 12 — ELECTIONS

Section 1. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer and two Councilmen shall be elected for a four year term of office and until their successors be qualified and installed in office by a majority vote at an election to be conducted by secret ballot, with absentee voting, on the date of the annual Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian Council meeting. All elections shall be conducted pursuant to an election ordinance adopted by appropriate legislation of the Citizen Band Business Committee. At the time of their election they shall be: a member of the Citizen Band Potawatomi Indian Council, not less than twenty-one (21) years of age, reside within the Counties of Pottawatomie, Seminole, Pontotoc, McClain, Oklahoma, Lincoln, Cleveland, or Okfuskee, State of Oklahoma, and not have been convicted of a felony or other crime involving moral turpitude in any court of competent jurisdiction within ten (10) years previous to the date of the election, unless pardoned.

Section 3. In order to provide for staggered terms of office, in the next regular election, following the adoption of this amendment, the Councilman #2 position shall be filled in 1989 for a two (2) year term to 1991, and thereafter for four (4) year terms; the Councilman #1 position shall be filled in 1989 for a three (3) year term to 1992, and thereafter for four (4) year terms; in 1989 and thereafter the Chairman's position shall be filled for four (4) year terms; and in 1990 and thereafter, the Vice-Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer position shall be filled for four (4) year terms. The Grievance Committee members shall continue to be elected for two year terms of office in the same sequence as in effect at the time this amendment is adopted.