

OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

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RESOLUTION NO. 25-121

OF THE

OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

RE: Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska and Big Elk Development Corporation to Staff, Market and Implement the SSBCI Program

WHEREAS: The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska is a federally recognized Indian tribe, organized under a constitution and bylaws approved by the Secretary of Interior on April 30, 1936, pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934; and

WHEREAS: pursuant to Article III, Sec.1 of the constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, the governing body of the Omaha Tribe shall also be known as Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS: Article IV, Section 1 (j) of the Constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska provides the Omaha Tribal Council with the power to safeguard and promote the economy and general welfare of the Omaha Tribe; and

WHEREAS: the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska is the recipient of Small State Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) funds to operate a Loan Participation Program to provide credit support for tribal member-owned small businesses and jobs for members of the Tribe and residents of the surrounding community in business areas including renewable energy, construction, technology, and agriculture industries; and

WHEREAS: Big Elk Development, Inc. is a non-profit entity serving the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska whose purpose is to provide housing, economic development, education, training, small-business lending to support community development and improve the quality of life for Omaha Tribal member families both on and off the Reservation; and

WHEREAS: BEDI's purpose and OTN's approved SSBCI loan participation program share a common goal of providing credit opportunities for tribal member-owned small businesses; and

WHEREAS: BEDI has the skill, experience, and capacity to carry out important functions of the OTN's loan participation program on behalf of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS: The Tribal Council finds that it is in the best interest of Tribe to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement between the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska and Big Elk Development Corporation for these purposes and as set forth in the attached Exhibit A.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Omaha Tribal Council hereby approves the attached Exhibit A, Memorandum of Agreement between the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska

and Big Elk Development, Inc.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Chairman Jason Sheridan, or, in his absence, Vice Chairman Leander Merrick is hereby authorized to take all action necessary to execute this Resolution

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the foregoing resolution was considered at a duly called meeting of the Omaha Tribal Council on the 1 day of May, 2025, and was adopted by a vote of: 4 for; 0 against; 1 abstaining; with the Chairman not voting. A quorum of 5 was present.

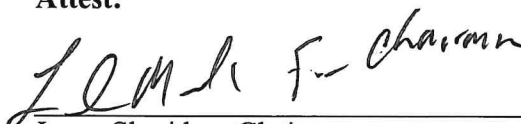
MEMBERS VOTE:	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Jason Sheridan			AbSent
Jerome Hamilton	X		
Dustin Lovejoy	X		
Alan Harlan			Absent
Leander Merrick			Abstain
Galen Aldrich Sr	X		
Cheyenne Robinson	X		

Submitted by:


Cheyenne Robinson, MBA, MLS
Omaha Tribal Council Secretary

5.1.25
Date

Attest:


Jason Sheridan, Chairman
Omaha Tribal Council

5-1-25
Date