

OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

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RESOLUTION NO. 25-131

OF THE

OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

RE: Omaha Powwow Grounds Infrastructure Revitalization Project

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 Tribal Council recognizes the cultural, historical, and economic significance of the annual Hede' Wachi Powwow, one of the longest-running Indigenous cultural events in North America; and

WHEREAS: The Omaha Tribe intends to submit an application to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Tourism Development program for a total of \$480,000 in support of the Omaha Powwow Grounds Infrastructure Revitalization Project; and

WHEREAS: The proposed project will include the construction of retaining walls, road paving, electrical infrastructure, ditch filling and ground leveling, cliffside grading, and creation of a culturally inspired RV campsite, all designed to improve safety, accessibility, and tourism capacity on the Omaha Reservation; and

WHEREAS: The CDBG Tourism Development program does not require a financial match, but encourages leveraging additional community and federal resources where possible; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Omaha Tribal Council hereby approves and authorizes the submission of the CDBG Tourism Development grant application to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development for the Omaha Powwow Grounds Revitalization Project; and

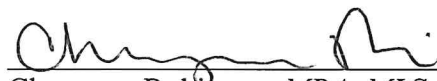
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Omaha Tribal Council designates Big Elk Economic Development and Construction Manager Kenny Appleton as the lead entities responsible for implementation of the project, should funding be awarded.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the foregoing resolution was considered at a duly called meeting of the Omaha Tribal Council on the 16 day of May, 2025, and was adopted by a vote of: 5 for; 0 against; 1 abstaining; with the Chairman not voting. A quorum of 6 was present.

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

Submitted by:


Cheyenne Robinson, MBA, MLS
Omaha Tribal Council Secretary

5-16-25
Date

Attest:


Jason Sheridan, Chairman
Omaha Tribal Council

Date