

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY BASED ON COVID-19

- WHEREAS, the Poarch Band of Creek Indians (the "Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian tribe organized pursuant to 25 C.F.R. Part 83;
- WHEREAS, the Tribe, through its Tribal Council, is authorized to help our members achieve their highest potential in physical and mental health, and the Tribal Council is authorized to exercise all inherent powers to further these goals;
- WHEREAS, the coronavirus infection, also known as COVID-19 has affected communities in several continents and has arrived in the United States and in Alabama;
- WHEREAS, the appearance of COVID-19 in Alabama indicates the potential of widespread exposure to an infectious agent that poses significant risk of substantial harm to a large number of people;
- WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared an emergency, and the Governor of the State of Alabama has declared an emergency:
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Chair requests that the Tribe also declare an emergency so that the Tribe may receive emergency funds as needed during this crisis; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes the need to be prepared for widespread exposure in our local community and the need for an emergency declaration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Tribal Council hereby declares a state of emergency for the Poarch Band of Creek Indians because of COVID-19 and directs all Tribal operations and entities to prepare for the impact that COVID-19 may have on operations and in our Tribal community and to take all necessary steps to prevent widespread impact.

APPROVAL

I, the Chair of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, hereby affix my signature to the resolution authorizing it to become official this day 13th of March, 2020.
Stephanie & Bryan
Stephanie A. Bryan, Tribal Chair
Poarch Band of Creek Indians
<u>CERTIFICATION</u>
I, the Secretary of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate reflection of the polling of the Tribal Council of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, conducted in accordance with Article 4, Section 4 of the Tribal Council Bylaws, by a vote of7 in favor, and0 against,1 abstentions, consenting to the polling, and a vote of7 in favor, and0 against,1 abstentions, consenting to the action, on the13th day of March, 2020.
Charlotte M. Meckel
Charlotte M. Meckel, Tribal Secretary
Poarch Band of Creek Indian