

August 28, 2019

Oklahoma Indian Gaming Association is officially transmitting this letter to Governor Kevin Stitt, on the behalf of the 34 Tribal Nations who have drafted and signed it.

Sincerely,

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Chairman, Oklahoma Indian Gaming Association

The Honorable Kevin Stitt, Governor State of Oklahoma State Capitol Building 2300 North Lincoln Boulevard, Room 212 Oklahoma City, OK 73105

## Dear Governor Stitt:

We received your letter dated August 13 and appreciate your recognition of the importance of the State-Tribal intergovernmental relationship. It is clear, we still have some fundamental differences in our positions.

As sovereigns, we understand our intergovernmental agreements are a vital part of our responsibility to work together for the good of all Oklahomans. We remain committed to the terms of this renewing compact that has brought great benefits to the entire state.

Tribal governments entered into this compact fifteen years ago when offered by the State of Oklahoma. After much effort, we came to an agreement that helped create financial stability for Oklahoma horse racing, supported public education and offered Tribal governments a new form of gaming. That agreement paved the way for massive investment in an industry that has brought numerous benefits to all Oklahomans, including tens of thousands of Tribal citizens who call this state home. We recognized those goals as valuable then, and we have been proud to support them ever since.

We accepted the State's compact offer after it was approved by nearly 60% of Oklahoma voters in an open referendum. Terms of the compact were then reviewed by the United States Department of the Interior, which approved its terms under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

For fifteen years, we have operated in good faith under the terms of the compact, developing supplemental terms through collaborative intergovernmental efforts as recently as last year. Those terms provide for its automatic renewal on the satisfaction of specified conditions.

Those terms also include provisions allowing State or Tribal governments to request a Part 11 renegotiation. We continue to look forward to a substantive proposal from the State regarding that part of the compact which may be renegotiated. We will consider such a proposal, however, only when the State of Oklahoma affirms the automatic renewal of the compact.

We believe it is important to preserve the collaborative government-to-government relationship that has enhanced the lives of all the people of Oklahoma, including the hundreds of thousands of Native American people who are proud to call Oklahoma home.

Sincerely, The Undersigned Tribes

## RESOLUTION OF TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS GATHERED AT THE GRAND CASINO OF THE CITIZEN POTAWATOMI NATION SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA AUGUST 22, 2019

- WHEREAS, we, the undersigned Tribal leaders, are each in receipt of the letter from Governor J. Kevin Stitt dated August 13, 2019, and while many of us intend to respond formally and individually on behalf of our respective Federally recognized Tribal governments, we are united in our position, and
- WHEREAS, we appreciate the warmer tone of Governor Stitt's recent letter and also value a strong intergovernmental relationship with the State of Oklahoma, but Governor Stitt continues to pursue negotiation of an entirely new compact, and
- WHEREAS, we cannot simply table a matter as fundamental as our compact's durability, and
- **WHEREAS**, it would accordingly be inappropriate for us to attempt to move forward with any discussion before resolving this matter, and
- **WHEREAS,** we recognize each compacting party's right to request re-negotiation of subsections A and E of Part 11, which provide our compacts' revenue-share and exclusivity mechanisms, and
- **WHEREAS,** Governor Stitt has not made any substantive proposal under subsections A and E of Part 11, and
- **WHEREAS**, a necessary step would be the State's acknowledgement of the auto-renewal under Part 15.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** we the undersigned Tribal leaders, each representing our respective sovereign Tribal governments, would consider a substantive proposal under subsections A and/or E of Part 11 should the State acknowledge the automatic renewal under Part 15 of the compact.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the undersigned also take seriously the solemn agreements we enter with other governments, and we each will accordingly remain committed to the terms of our renewing compact, and as we must, we will trust and expect the State to do the same.

Executed at the tribal leaders meeting held at Grand Casino of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation in Shawnee, Oklahoma, on August 22, 2019, by a vote of 34 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

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