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The Honorable Bill John Baker
Principal Chief, Cherokee Nation
P.O. Box 948
Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74465

Dear Chief Baker:

The Department of the Interior received the Model Tribal Gaming Supplement (Amendment) between Cherokee Nation (Nation) and the State of Oklahoma (State) providing for the conduct of Class III gaming activities by the Nation.

We have completed our review of the Amendment submitted by the Nation and the State and conclude that it does not violate the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), any other provision or federal law that does not relate to jurisdiction over gaming on Indian lands, or the trust obligations of the United States to Indians. *See* 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(B). Therefore, pursuant to my delegated authority and section 11 of IGRA, I approve the Amendment. *See* 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(A). The Amendment shall take effect when the notice of this approval is published in the Federal Register. *See* 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(B).

A similar letter has been sent to the Honorable Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma.

Sincerely,

Tara Sweeney
Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

TRIBAL GAMING COMPACT SUPPLEMENT

Between the CHEROKEE NATION

and the STATE OF OKLAHOMA

To be governed in accord with the Cherokee Nation's State-Tribal Gaming Compact ("Compact"), approved by the United States Department of the Interior on December 28, 2004, the Cherokee Nation ("Tribe") accepts the State's offer of additional covered game codified in Section 280.1 of Title 3A of the Oklahoma Statutes, which offer and this acceptance are subject to the following terms:

Part I. TITLE

This document shall be referred to as the "Cherokee Nation and State of Oklahoma Gaming Compact Non-house-Banked Table Games Supplement ("Gaming Compact Supplement").

Part 2. TERMS

A. The Tribe hereby memorializes its election to accept the State's offer of an additional covered game, which offer is codified in Section 280.1 of Title 3A of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. The Tribe agrees, subject to the enforcement and exclusivity provisions of its Compact, to pay to the State ten percent (10%) of the monthly net win of the common pool(s) or pot(s) from which prizes are paid for non-house-banked table games. The Tribe is entitled to keep an amount equal to State payments from the common pool(s) or pot(s) as part of its cost of operating the games. For all purposes, such payment shall be deemed an exclusivity and fee payment under paragraph 2 of subsection A of Part 11 of the State-Tribal Gaming Compact between the electing Tribe and the State.

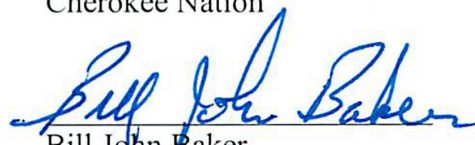
C. The Tribe's operation of non-house-banked table games pursuant to this supplement shall, for all purposes, including enforcement and exclusivity, be treated as subject to and lawfully conducted under the terms and provisions of the Compact

Part 3. AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE

This Gaming Compact Supplement, to the extent it conforms with Section 280.1 of Title 3A of the Oklahoma Statutes, is deemed approved by the State of Oklahoma. No further action of the State or any state official is necessary for this Gaming Compact Supplement to take effect upon approval by the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior and publication in the Federal Register. The undersigned tribal official(s) represents that he or she is duly authorized and has the authority to execute this Gaming Compact Supplement on behalf of the Tribe for whom he or she is signing.

APPROVED:

Cherokee Nation


Bill John Baker
Principal Chief

Date: 6/18/18

Consistent with 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(B), I have reviewed the Model Tribal Gaming Supplement (Amendment) between the Cherokee Nation and the State of Oklahoma and conclude that it does not violate the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, any other provision of Federal law that does not relate to jurisdiction over gaming on Indian lands, or the trust obligations of the United States to Indians. Pursuant to my delegated authority, I approve the Amendment pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(8)(A). The Amendment shall take effect when the notice of this approval is published in the *Federal Register* pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(B).

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