

TEEL'CHINTI'/T'IIS'IIAHI VETERANS ORGANIZATION



T/TVO-FY26-003

RESOLUTION OF THE TEEL'CHINTI'/T'IIS'IIAHI VETERANS ORGANIZATION SUPPORTING ACTION OF RESOLUTION FDAVO-26-008 OPPOSING THE ISSUANCE OF LIQUOR LICENSES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE 26 FORT DEFIANCE AGENCY CVO COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS:

1. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization has been in existence since 1970 and has changed its name from Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Chapter Veterans Organization to Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization, which was approved on March 05, 2017 along with the Plan of Operations, which was changed in October 2017; and,
2. Main purpose of the Veterans organization is to advocate on resources, concerns, and challenges of Navajo Veterans, Surviving Spouses, and Gold Star Parents registered within the Oak Springs and Pine Springs communities; to ensure they are granted earned benefits; and to represent them at the Local, Tribal, County, State, and Federal levels; and
3. Pursuant to the Navajo Nation Veterans Act; Title II, Section One (E,I,M,N,O,R,T); SS-1032 (B-5,9,10), the Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization is duly recognized by the Navajo Nation; and
4. Pursuant to the Navajo Nation Council Resolution CMA-25-71; The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization is established within the Navajo Nation Veterans Administration (NNVA) under the Executive Branch of the Navajo Nation Government; and
5. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognizes and acknowledges it is entrusted to strive toward unification of all Navajo Nation Veterans and local leadership to provide and coordinate with the needs of the Veteran; and
6. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization formally oppose the issuance, renewal, or expansion of any liquor license within the boundaries of the 26 Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Chapter Veterans Organization (CVOs), due to the documented social harms associated with alcohol availability, and to request coordinated action from the NNVA, the Office of the President and Vice President (OPVP), the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee (HEHSC), and the Apache County Board of Supervisors.
7. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization is aware of the alcohol-related social harms—including domestic violence, child neglect, impaired driving, homelessness, chronic health conditions, and increased law enforcement burdens—continue to disproportionately impact Navajo communities, including those within the Fort Defiance Agency; and
8. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization and their families are uniquely affected by alcohol-related trauma, including PTSD-related substance misuse, family instability, and increased vulnerability to predatory business practices; and
9. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognize and acknowledge the Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organization has consistently upheld significant public health and cultural stances against the sale and distribution of alcohol in most Navajo communities, acknowledging the established correlation between alcohol availability and adverse community outcomes; and

10. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognize and acknowledge the Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organization has consistently opposed all liquor license applications in border-adjacent or checkerboard regions near Fort Defiance Agency communities. These areas have historically been associated with increased alcohol trafficking onto Navajo lands, thereby imposing additional burdens on local law enforcement, emergency services, and community programs. The Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organizations have a responsibility to advocate for policies that protect community well-being and uphold the cultural values of K'é, safety, and collective responsibility; and
11. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognize and acknowledge the Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organization and the NNVA share responsibility for safeguarding the welfare of Navajo Veterans and are critical partners in addressing social conditions that negatively affect veterans and their families and are responsible for protecting the welfare of Navajo Veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization reinforce Commander Burnside's decision to represent support of the Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organizations resolution to formally oppose the issuance, renewal, or expansion of any liquor license within or adjacent to the boundaries of the 26 Fort Defiance Agency CVO communities.
2. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization formally supports the Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organization requests for NNVA, OPVP, and HEHSC coordinate with the Apache County Board of Supervisors to ensure that Navajo Nation concerns are fully considered in all liquor license deliberations affecting the Fort Defiance Agency region.
3. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization formally support the Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organization in urging the Apache County to deny any liquor license applications that pose foreseeable risks to Navajo veterans, families, and communities, including increased alcohol trafficking, public safety threats, or social harm.
4. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization support the Fort Defiance Agency Veterans Organizations to direct the NNVA to transmit this resolution to:
 - a. Navajo Nation Veterans Administration (NNVA)
 - b. Office of the President and Vice President (OPVP)
 - c. Health, Education, and Human Services Committee (HEHSC)
 - d. Apache County Board of Supervisors
 - e. All 26 Fort Defiance Agency CVO Commanders
 - f. Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was considered at a duly called Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization Meeting at Oak Springs (Navajo Nation), Arizona, where a quorum was present and that same passed by a vote of 6 in Favor, 0 Oppose and 1 Abstained on this 28th of February 2026.

Motioned by: **Robert Smith**

Seconded by: **Pete Baloo**

CONCURRED BY: Patricia Ann Burnside
 Patricia Ann Burnside, Commander
 Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization

TEEL'CHINTI'/T'IIS'IIAHI VETERANS ORGANIZATION



T/TVO-FY26-004

RESOLUTION OF THE TEEL'CHINTI'/T'IIS'IIAHI VETERANS ORGANIZATION SUPPORTING TO APPROVE THE JOINT CLUPC AND VETERANS ORGANIZATION PROCUREMENT OF AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS, LAND-USE PLANNING, MILITARY CEREMONIES, TRAINING, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, AND TO AUTHORIZE OAK/PINE SPRINGS CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION TO CONDUCT PROCUREMENT AND INSTALLATION

WHEREAS:

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5. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognizes and acknowledges it is entrusted to strive toward unification of all Navajo Nation Veterans and local leadership to provide and coordinate with the needs of the Veteran; and
6. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognize and acknowledge The Oak/Pine Springs Chapter is a certified chapter of the Navajo Nation and operates under the authority of Title 26, the Local Governance Act (LGA), which requires chapters to maintain transparent, accessible, and well-documented public meetings, including the use of appropriate tools to support public participation; and
7. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization is aware The Community Land Use Planning Committee (CLUPC) is mandated under Title 26 to conduct public engagement, present land-use plans, zoning proposals, environmental reviews, and development materials in formats that are clear, accessible, and understandable to community members; and
8. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization conducts military ceremonies, veteran training sessions, community education, and interagency coordination, all of which require reliable visual display and audio clarity to ensure accuracy, dignity, and accessibility; and
9. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognize and acknowledge both the CLUPC and the CVO Veterans have identified the need for modern audio-visual equipment to support their respective statutory and

mission-based responsibilities, and have agreed to jointly sponsor this procurement as a shared community investment; and

10. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognize and acknowledge the Chapter auditorium currently lacks adequate audio-visual capability to support land-use presentations, public meetings, emergency briefings, veterans' ceremonies, and educational programming, resulting in barriers to public engagement and operational readiness; and
11. The Teel'chinti'/T'iis'iiahi Veterans Organization recognize and acknowledge the Oak/Pine Springs Chapter Administration and OPSC are the appropriate authorities to conduct procurement, ensure fiscal compliance, coordinate installation, and maintain proper documentation for audit purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

The Oak/Pine Springs Chapter hereby approves the joint CLUPC–CVO Veterans procurement of the following audio-visual equipment, to be purchased, installed, configured, and wired-in through the OPSC and Chapter Administration:

Itemized Audio-Visual Equipment

- One (1) 84-inch 4K UHD Smart TV
Wi-Fi and Bluetooth capable; 165 Hz refresh rate; suitable for public presentations, mapping, teleconferencing, and ceremonial display.
- One (1) Heavy-Duty Wall Mounting Bracket
Rated for 84-inch display; secure installation for public facility use.
- One (1) Wireless Surround Sound System with Dolby Atmos
Multi-speaker configuration supporting ceremonies, trainings, and public meetings.
- One (1) GaN Amplifier (4K-compatible)
Ensures high-quality audio output and system stability.
- Associated Wiring, Cabling, and Installation Materials
Electrical, HDMI, network, and safety-rated mounting hardware.
- Configuration and System Integration Services
Wi-Fi setup, Bluetooth pairing, audio calibration, testing, and integration with existing chapter systems.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the Oak/Pine Springs Chapter authorizes OPSC and the Chapter Administration to:

- Conduct procurement in accordance with Navajo Nation fiscal and procurement policies.
- Obtain quotes, select vendors, and coordinate installation.
- Ensure proper documentation for audit readiness.
- Oversee system testing and operational readiness for CLUPC, CVO Veterans, and general chapter use.

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