



# BLACKFEET NATION

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## RESOLUTION

### **Authorizing CARES Act Funds to Pay for COVID-19 Funeral/Mortuary Costs for Tribal Members/Residents of the Blackfeet Reservation**

**Resolution No. 24-2021**

**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is the duly constituted governing body within the exterior boundaries of the Blackfeet Indian Nation pursuant to Section 16 of Act of June 18, 1934 and Amendments thereof, and

**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council has been organized to represent, develop, protect and advance the views, interests, and resources education and resources of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and

**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is empowered, pursuant to Article VI-Powers of the Council, Section 1(e) to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Blackfeet Reservation; and, Section 1(g) to manage tribal affairs in an acceptable and businesslike manner and in accordance with the administrative plan called the Plan of Operations; and, Section 1(k) to promulgate ordinances for the purposes of safeguarding the peace and safety of residents of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and

**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council enacted *Ordinance 121*, entitled "*Blackfeet Tribe COVID-19 Ordinance 121*" to limit the risk of infection from the pandemic outbreak of COVID-19 to members and residents of the Blackfeet Reservation on April 1, 2020 for the purpose of developing policy in response to the novel coronavirus outbreak, and

**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribe has regrettably lost twenty (20) Tribal members/residents of the Blackfeet Reservation due to COVID-19 to which surviving family members are suffering financial hardships as a result, and

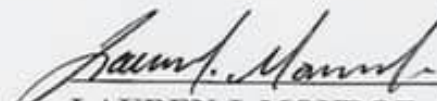
**WHEREAS,** The Treasurer has advised that all regularly budgeted funerals are allocated for the regular rates of death and that the Tribe is running short to cover the funerals related to COVID-19 and such costs are needed to be covered, and

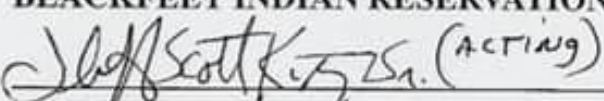
**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council desires to appropriate funds for funeral costs Blackfeet Tribal members/Blackfeet Reservation Residents the Blackfeet Reservation, wherein such passing is due to COVID-19 according to the CARES Act guidelines, now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. **Approval of up to \$5,000.00 for Funeral Costs due to COVID-19 for Blackfeet Tribal Members and Residents of the Blackfeet Tribe.** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council hereby approves up to \$5,000.00, based upon need and the CARES Act Treasury Guidelines to each Blackfeet enrolled member and resident of the Blackfeet Reservation that passes away due to COVID-19. This application is authorized for the period beginning: March 15, 2020 to December 30, 2020, unless funds are extended by Congress or the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council.
2. **Delegation.** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council hereby delegates to the Blackfeet Treasurer to establish, review and approve COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Applications.
3. **Public Advertisement.** The Public Information Officer shall make notice of this Resolution and the Application effective immediately to the local media and on the Blackfeet Nation Website.
4. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman in the Chairman's absence and Secretary of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council are hereby authorized to sign this Resolution and any other documents to effectuate the purpose of the intents of this Resolution.

**ATTEST:**

  
LAUREN J. MONROE, JR.  
Secretary

**THE BLACKFEET TRIBE OF THE  
BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION**  
 (ACTING)  
TIMOTHY F. DAVIS  
Chairman

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council in a duly called noticed and convened Special Session assembled for business the 28th day of October, 2020, with Six ( 6 ) members present to constitute a quorum and by a vote of Six ( 6 ) For, Zero ( 0 ) Opposed and Zero ( 0 ) Abstained.

  
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**LAUREN J. MONROE JR., Secretary**  
**Blackfeet Tribal Business Council**

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