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RESOLUTION NO. DOI- 010 (2027)

NORTHERN CHEYENNE AGENCY
LAME DEER, MT 59043

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SCHEDULE FOR 2026 SPECIAL PRIMARY AND
GENERAL ELECTION TO FILL VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT**

WHEREAS, the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council is the governing body of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, organized and operating under the Tribe's Amended Constitution and Bylaws approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 31, 1996;

WHEREAS, President Gene Small was removed from the office of President on Wednesday, September 30, 2026;

WHEREAS, more than 180 days remain in the President's term of office, which ends in November 2028;

WHEREAS, under Article VII, Section 4 of the Constitution and Section 19.c of the Amended Revised Election Ordinance ("Election Ordinance"), a special general election for the office of Tribal President must be held within 90 days of vacancy;

WHEREAS, under Section 9.a of the Election Ordinance, the Tribal Secretary shall post the notice soliciting candidates at three public places at least 60 days before any primary election;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.a of the Election Ordinance, the Tribal Council wishes to exercise discretion to shorten the 60-day period to facilitate compliance with the 90-day requirement set forth in the Constitution and the Election Ordinance for purposes of this election only;

WHEREAS, under Section 10.b.3 of the Election Ordinance, the Voters Committee shall post district voters lists in three public places no later than 90 days before any primary election;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10.b.3 of the Election Ordinance, the Tribal Council wishes to shorten this 90-day period to facilitate compliance with the requirement set forth in the Constitution and the Election Ordinance for purposes of this election only;

WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing, the Tribal Council wishes to adopt the below schedule of key events for the special primary and general election for the Tribal President position.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Schedule for Special Primary and General Election of 2026.** The following schedule for the forthcoming special primary and general election to fill the vacancy in the office of Tribal President is hereby approved and adopted:

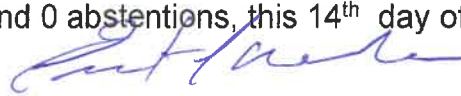
<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Post District Voters List	As promptly as possible
Post Notice Soliciting Candidates	As promptly as possible

Appoint Election Judges and Clerks	By Friday, October 23, 2026
File Declaration of Candidacy	By Friday, October 23, 2026
Post Notice of Primary Election	By Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Primary Election	Tuesday, November 24, 2026
Post Notice of General Election	By Tuesday, December 8, 2026
General Election	Tuesday, December 29, 2026
Winner Sworn-in	Tuesday, January 19, 2027

2. **Election Judges and Clerks and Voters Committee.** The Election Judges and Clerks and Voters Committee members for the special election to fill the President vacancy shall be the same as those who have been appointed to serve during the Tribal Election of November 3, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by vote of the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council by 8 votes for passage, 0 votes against passage, and 0 abstentions, this 14th day of October 2026.



Ernest Littlemouth, Sr., Acting President
Northern Cheyenne Tribe

ATTEST:



Alicia Cano, Secretary
Northern Cheyenne Tribe