RESOLUTION NO. 20//-6

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FUNERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR INDIGENT RESIDENTS OF KIOWA COUNTY, KANSAS

WHEREAS, it is the position of the Board that all individuals should have the opportunity to a dignified burial or disposition and it is in the best interests of the residents of Kiowa County to establish a Funeral Assistance Program for indigent residents of Kiowa County, Kansas;

WHEREAS, the Board authorizes an allowance of \$550.00 or the amount of the funeral expense which is due and owing, whichever is less, to be paid to the funeral provider from the county general fund.

WHEREAS, to qualify for the funeral assistance allowance, the individual must meet the following requirements and documentation must be submitted to prove:

a. The individual must be a resident of Kiowa County, Kansas.

- b. The individual must be receiving cash, medical, or food assistance at the time of death or have a pending application for assistance at the time of death and are ultimately approved for the month of death.
- c. The resources of the family or estate of the deceased and other assets at the time of death shall not exceed \$2,000.00,
- d. Expenses shall first be paid from any property found on the body or from the estate of the deceased.

WHEREAS, this program is not available for deceased inmates in the custody of the secretary of corrections.

WHEREAS, all requests for assistance shall include documentation showing the individual has met the requirements and shall be submitted to the Kiowa County Clerk within six months of the date of death or from the date the body is released by a coroner.

WHEREAS, this resolution shall become effective upon publication in the official county newspaper.

Passed and adopted this 4th day of 4011, 2011.

KIOWA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Don Richards, Commissioner

John Unruh, Commissioner

Ron Freeman, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Carmen Renfrow, Kiowa County Clerk