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TO: Lisa Pivec, Executive Director of Public Health  
Savannah Smith, Executive Director of CCO

FR: Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation

CC: Bryan Warner, Deputy Chief

**Administration Memorandum Directing the Extension of Hawiya Meat Program and Creation of  
“Hawiya + Farmers Market Programs” Funded by the Public Health and Wellness Fund Act**

**I. Background**

By memorandum of May 11, 2026, I modified the annual spending framework under the Public Health and Wellness Fund Act to include, among other things, \$1.75 million in support of extending the existing Hawiya Program under CCO and creating the Hawiya + farmers market programs under Public Health. These funds fill the gap created by a cessation of federal funding.

**II. Directives**

- a. **Extension of Hawiya Meat Program:** On this date the Hawiya Meat Program is hereby continued under PHWFA funding. The Executive Director of CCO is directed to adopt appropriate policies to continue the program substantially unchanged from the predecessor federally funded program.
- b. **Creation of Hawiya+ Farmers Market Programs:** On this date the Hawiya + Farmers Market Meat programs are created, expanding the elder farmers market and WIC farmers market programs to include an annual \$30 meat voucher for each participant. The Executive Director of CCO is directed to adopt appropriate policies to effectuate this directive and commence the program expansion no later than June 15, 2026.

Chuck Hoskin, Jr.  
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