

RESOLUTION 2017-03

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE
PROPOSED SALE OF ASSETS OF
THE GRAND RIVER DAM AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the City of Sallisaw is proud to be a Public Power Community, providing reliable electric service to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, revenues from the sale of electricity provides funding for essential city services; and

WHEREAS, having been a customer of the Grand River Dam Authority since 1952, the City of Sallisaw realizes the tremendous benefits of being a Public Power Community, and the importance of the Grand River Dam Authority; and,

WHEREAS, the Grand River Dam Authority is a non-appropriated state agency, fully supported by revenues from GRDA customer communities; and

WHEREAS, the Grand River Dam Authority provides an economic impact in Oklahoma in excess of one billion dollars annually and directly supports over 7,100 jobs in its service area; and

WHEREAS, the Grand River Dam Authority is a vital component of Oklahoma's infrastructure, which enriches the state's economy and quality of life with capital investments and sustainable and reliable low-cost electric power generated from its facilities; and

WHEREAS, if the assets of the Grand River Dam Authority were sold, it would cause an immediate hardship on the City of Sallisaw and other GRDA customer communities who depend on Public Power revenues to provide services for their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SALLISAW, OKLAHOMA, that the said City of Sallisaw strongly opposes any attempt to sell the assets of the Grand River Dam Authority by any member of the Senate or the House of Representatives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said City of Sallisaw urges Senator Mark Allen, Representative John Bennett, and other legislators, to vote **NO** on any bill that may be filed which relates to the sale of the Grand River Dam Authority.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Sallisaw, Oklahoma on this 13th day of February, 2017.

CITY OF SALLISAW, OKLAHOMA

By: _____

Julia Ferguson
Julia Ferguson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianna Davis
Dianna Davis, City Clerk

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