Committee: Community Service

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RESOLUTION NO. 36-13

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A SPECIAL GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION CHILD CARE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government on behalf of the Cherokee people;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is a federally recognized Indian Nation with a historic and continual government to government relationship with the United States of America;

WHEREAS, the goal of the Cherokee Nation Child Care Program is to provide quality child care and development to Native American children;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation Child Care Program is applying for a cash match in the amount of \$183,222 to improve the quality of care and expand early education services to low-income children from birth to age three within the child care centers;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council hereby authorizes an application for funding to the Community Action Project for the Child Development Center for child development services, and that Principal Chief, Bill John Baker and/or his designee be authorized to sign documents necessary to submit said contract on behalf of the Cherokee Nation.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 22^{nd} day of April, 2013, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

Fina Glory Jordan, \$peaker Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Jodie Fishinghawk, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 26th day of April, 2013.

Bill John Paker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

S. Joe Crittenden, Deputy Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ADMINISTRATIVE **CLEARANCE** Dep1/Program: Signature/Initial Date **Executive Director:** Signature/Initial Date Treasurer: (Required: Grants/Contracts/Budgets) Signáture/Initial Government Resources: Signature/Initial **Administration Approval: LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE:** Legal & Legislative Coordinator: Standing Committee & Date: Chairperson: Signature Date Returned to Presenter: Date

Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form

Act	Resolution
TITLE:	
DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Deanna O'Laughlin	
RESOLUTION PRESENTE	R: Marsha Lamb
COUNCIL SPONSOR:	Jya (
NARRATIVE:	

The State of Oklahoma Pilot Early Childhood Program is a public/private partnership funded by parent co-payments, child care subsidy payments, state funds and general funds to improve the quality of and expand early education services for low-income children from birth through age three. Quality improvements include hiring lead teachers with a bachelor's degree whose primary purpose is to mentor teachers in order to enhance the environment and curriculum; hiring additional teachers with higher levels of education; lowering the child/staff ratio and group size; advanced training in "Primary Infant Toddler Care" philosophy; hiring a Family Support Specialist whose primary purpose is to work with the families in ensuring the overall health and well-being for their children and to assist the parents in any support services they may need to achieve self-sufficiency.

Request is for \$183,222 of a \$360,099 total of which \$122,547.78 is from the CAP agency. \$6,859.44 is from CACFP reimbursement and \$47,469.84 is funded from CN Expansion class subsidy and co-pays.