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## Resolution No. 02-13

## COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

## A RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF WES WELKER, A CITIZEN OF THE CHEROKEE NATION, FOR HIS OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

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; and,

WHEREAS, it is beneficial for the Cherokee Nation to advance the quality of life of its citizens and for all peoples of Oklahoma; and,

WHEREAS, it is always important to recognize the achievements of our Cherokee Nation Citizens who show great skills, accomplishments, and examples for others; and

WHEREAS, we want to recognize Wes Welker, a Citizen of the Cherokee Nation, for his outstanding athletic accomplishments as the New England Patriots' Wide Receiver:

- 1. Welker is tied with Jerry Rice in NFL history with 17 games of at least 10 catches
- 2. Welker is on pace to break a tie with Cris Carter as the only player to catch 120 passes in a season twice
- 3. Welker has the most receptions in the past six seasons (646), by a large margin over Brandon Marshall (565);
- 4. And with 8 more catches, he will break a tie with those retired NFL stars and Welker will become the first player with 100 receptions in five different seasons; and,

WHEREAS, family members of Wes Welker reside in Sequoyah County within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Cherokee Nation; and, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION,** that the Council hereby recognizes Wes Welker, a citizen of the Cherokee Nation for his outstanding athletic accomplishments as the New England Patriots' Wide Receiver.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the  $14^{th}$  day of January, 2013, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

Tina Glory-Jordan, Speaker Cherokee Nation Tribal Council

ATTEST:

Jodie Fishinghawk, Secretary Cherokee Nation Tribal Council

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this Mer day of January 2013.

Bill John Baker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

**ATTEST:** 

Charles Head, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation