Committee: Resources

Date: 06-24-09 Committee Date: 07-13-09

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Sponsor: <u>Curtis Snell</u>

## **RESOLUTION NO. 86-09**

# **COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR A TARGETED GRANT TO REDUCE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING GRANT PACKAGE

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government in 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 Cherokee Nation has established the Environmental Protection Commission and the Environmental Programs Group to protect public health, welfare, and the environment;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has funding available for activities conducted to reduce incidences of childhood lead poisoning in vulnerable populations;

WHEREAS, with the award of proper funding, the Cherokee Nation's Targeted Grant to Reduce Childhood Lead Poisoning will identify and educate Cherokee Communities at high-risk for elevated blood-lead levels.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs to submit a formal application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for a Targeted Grant to Reduce Childhood Lead Poisoning, and that the Principal Chief (or his designee) shall be authorized to conduct contract negotiations and execute all official documents in this regard.

### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the <u>13th</u> day of <u>July</u>, 2009, having <u>14</u> members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of <u>14</u> yea; <u>0</u> nay; <u>0</u> abstaining.

Meredith A. Frailey, Speaker/ Council of the Cherokee Nation

# ATTEST:

Don Garvin, Secretary

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 17th day of July, 2009.

Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Melanie Knight, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation

# Administrative Clearance Program/Project Manager Signature/Initial Date Department Director: Lag 19/99 Signature/Initial Date Executive Director: Signature/Initial Date Controller: (If Needed) Signature/Initial Date Government Resources Dept: Lag 19/99 Signature/Initial Date Administration Approval: Signature/Initial Date

# Legislative Clearance Ilegislative Aide: Signature/Initial Standing Committee: Chairperson: Signature/Initial Date Returned to Presenter: Date

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TITLE: A Resolution Authorizing the Environmental Programs Group to Submit an Application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for a Targeted Grant to Reduce Childhood Lead Poisoning

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Rebecca Coleman

Resolution Presenter: <u>Tom Elkins –Environmental</u>

**Programs Administrator** 

SPONSOR: (Curtis Snell)

NARRATIVE:

(See Attached Outline for Information Needed)

The primary objective of the proposal package is to reduce incidences of childhood lead poisoning within Cherokee Nation communities. The proposal package consists of three phases designed to address the communities with both the highest documented and the highest potential for incidences of elevated blood-lead levels. These three phases include data gathering, geographic information system (GIS) mapping of highrisk areas, and educational outreach in target communities.

Funding Agency: U.S. EPA Grant Amount: \$100,000.00 Match Required: None Due Date: August 13, 2009

Availability Date: FY 2009, data pending

# **Resolution Narrative**

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION:** Authorizing the Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs Group to submit a grant proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the Targeted Grant to Reduce Childhood Lead Poisoning.

**GRANT AMOUNT REQUESTING: \$100,000** 

**CHEROKEE NATION MATCH: None** 

PROJECTED FUND AVAILABILITY DATE (if funded): FY 2009, date pending.

TRIBES THIS GRANT WILL ENCOMPASS: The Cherokee Nation.

**PROGRAM OPERATIONS:** Environmental Programs

**DEPARTMENT CONTACT:** Tom Elkins, Acting Administrator of Environmental Programs Group.

PRIMARY CONTACT: Rebecca Coleman, Environmental Programs.

**RESOLUTION PRESENTER:** Tom Elkins

# **NARRATIVE:**

The Office of Environmental Programs is requesting financial assistance from the U.S Environmental Protection Agency. This grant will be used to identify and educate Cherokee Communities at high-risk for elevated blood-lead levels.