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RESOLUTION NO. 58-17

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION ELECTING THE OFFICE OF SPEAKER FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL

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, under Article V of the Cherokee Constitution the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council is a separate and independent branch of the Cherokee Nation government; and,

WHEREAS, The Cherokee Nation Constitution Article VI Section 2 states that the Council shall elect a Speaker and Deputy Speaker from its own membership to officiate over Council meetings; and,

WHEREAS, the Speaker of the Council is to be a member with high qualification and experience capable of performing the duties of the office with fidelity; and,

WHEREAS, under Article VII Section 4 of the Cherokee Nation Constitution states that in case of removal, death, resignation or disability of the Deputy Chief, then the Speaker of the Council shall succeed to that office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council that Joe Byrd be elected as Speaker of the Cherokee Nation Council for the legislative term beginning August, 2017 and ending August 2021.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 15^{th} day of August, 2017, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

Joe Byrd, Speaker

Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Frankie Hargis, Secretary Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 17th day of August, 2017.

Bill John Haker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation