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Resolution No. <u>59-12</u>

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE PRESERVATION OF THE NEW ECHOTA HISTORICAL SITE AS A STATE PARK AND CELEBRATE ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

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, on November 12, 1825, the Cherokee Nation Council passed a resolution making New Echota the Cherokee Nation's capital where the Council had been meeting since 1819 and continued to meet until 1831; and,

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2012, New Echota, the historic capital of the Cherokee Nation, will be celebrating its 50th anniversary as a state park; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the Cherokee Nation to support the preservation and celebration of our culture and historical sites on behalf of its ancestors, living tribal citizens and our future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation desires to recognize this event in preserving such an important part our tribal heritage;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Cherokee Nation recognizes and appreciates the efforts to preserve, honor and celebrate the New Echota historic site that is a significant part of the Cherokee Nation's history and culture.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 16th day of April, 2012, 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 18th day of April , 2012.

Bill John Baker, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Charles Head, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation