

Committee: Rules
Date: 09-13-11 Committee Date: 09-29-11

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Sponsor: Cara Cowan Watts

RESOLUTION NO. 78-11

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS AND TO APPOINT THE TRIBAL DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES

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, the Cherokee Nation wishes to become a member in good standing of the National Congress of American Indians; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee Nation meets all requirements for Tribal membership, pursuant to Article II, Section B(1) of the Constitution and Article III, Section B(1)(a) of the Bylaws of the National Congress of American Indians; and

WHEREAS, S. Joe Crittenden will designate one of the below named twenty-two (22) persons as his representative (alternate) in his absence by a letter stating such.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council of the Cherokee Nation, which is the official governing body of the above named tribal nation, hereby authorizes S. Joe Crittenden, Interim Principal Chief, to take the necessary actions to place the Nation in membership in the National Congress of American Indians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that Nation funds in the amount of \$25,000, based on the tribal Membership Dues Schedule of the National Congress of American Indians Bylaws, Article III, Section C(2), are authorized to be paid for such Tribal membership in the National Congress of American Indians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the \$25,000 membership fee shall be paid by an equal amount from Executive Branch and the Legislative Branch out of existing appropriations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that, based on the Nation's citizenry of 310,816 persons, the Nation shall have 180 votes, in accordance with Article III, Section B(1) of the National Congress of American Indians Bylaws; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council of the Cherokee Nation supports and approves the below named persons as representatives; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that pursuant to Article III, § B(1)(b) of the National Congress of American Indians Bylaws, the Nation designates the following named persons as Delegate and Alternate Delegate(s) and instructs them to become individual members in good standing in the National Congress of American Indians in order to fulfill their responsibilities as Official Delegates to the National Congress of American Indians Annual Convention and Executive Council Meeting.

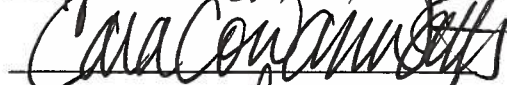
DELEGATE: S. Joe Crittenden, Interim Principal Chief



ALTERNATE: Meredith A. Frailey, Interim Deputy Chief



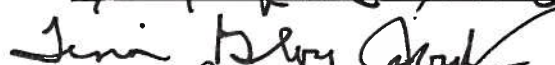
ALTERNATE: Cara Cowan Watts, Acting Speaker



ALTERNATE: Bill John Baker, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Tina Glory Jordan, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Jodie Fishinghawk, Council Member



ALTERNATE: David W. Thornton, Sr., Council Member



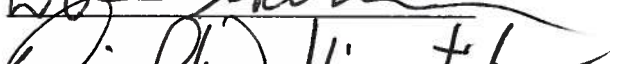
ALTERNATE: Janelle Lattimore Fullbright, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Don Garvin, Council Member



ALTERNATE: David Walkingstick, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Curtis G. Snell, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Dick Lay, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Buel Anglen, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Lee Keener, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Council Member



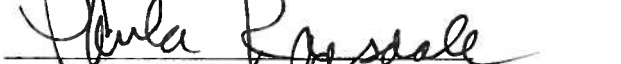
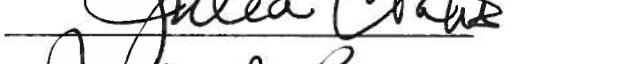
ALTERNATE: Julia Coates, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Jack D. Baker, Council Member



ALTERNATE: Paula Ragsdale, Tribal Relations Officer



ALTERNATE: Melanie Knight, Secretary of State



ALTERNATE: Melissa Gower, Government Relations Lead



ALTERNATE: Clint Hastings, Legislative Assistant



ALTERNATE: Clint Bowers, Legislative Officer




ALTERNATE: Joel Williams, Senior Legislative Officer




CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 10th day of October, 2011, having 15 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 15 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.


Cara Cowan Watts, Interim Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation


ATTEST:


Don Garvin, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 14th day of OCTOBER, 2011.


S. Joe Crittenden, Interim Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:


Melanie Knight, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE:

Program/Project Manager:

Signature Date

Department Director:

Signature Date

Group Leader:

Signature Date

Finance Approval (if needed):

Signature Date

Government Resources Group:

Signature Date

Administration Approval:

Meredith Truby 09/13/11
Signature Date

Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form



Act



Resolution

TITLE: A Resolution Authorizing Cherokee Nation to Become a Member of the National Congress of American Indians and to Appoint the Tribal Delegate and Alternates

Department Contact: Melanie Knight, Secretary of State

Resolution Presenter: Melanie Knight, Secretary of State

Council Sponsor: Cara Cowan Watts

NARRATIVE:

(See Attached Outline for Information Needed)

The purpose of this resolution is to authorize Cherokee Nation to become a member of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), appoint the Tribal Delegate and Alternates, and to authorize payment of membership dues in the amount of \$25,000.

Membership will be for a one-year term, from the 2011 NCAI Annual Convention to the 2012 NCAI Annual Convention.

LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE

Legislative Aide:

Brittain 9/13/11
Signature/Initial Date

Standing Committee:

Rules

9/29/11
Next Meeting Date

Chairperson:

B. Arden
Signature/Initial Date

Returned to Presenter: _____
Date