

Committee: Education Committee
Date: 06-05-10 Committee Date: 06-14-10

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RESOLUTION NO. 54-10

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A SPECIAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR A PROMISE NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT

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, Cherokee Nation desires to improve the quality of elementary and secondary education for Cherokee students;

WHEREAS, The Cherokee Nation can document pre-existing collaborations with schools, communities, post-secondary institutions, and other entities to improve the quality of elementary and secondary education at the local levels and help all children meet challenging state academic content and student academic achievement standards;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation does commit to providing \$125,000 to cash or in-kind services for fiscal year 2011 for the development of a strategic plan to improve the educational and developmental outcomes of children in our most distressed communities;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Department of Education's Office of Innovation and Improvement is to support nationally significant programs to improve the quality of elementary and secondary education at the state and local levels;


WHEREAS, the Office of Innovation and Improvement has grant funds to support planning activities that will build a complete continuum of cradle-through-college-to-career academic programs to improve significantly the educational and developmental outcomes of children in our most distressed communities.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Education Department to submit a proposal to the Department of Education for planning funds up to the amount of \$500,000 to build a complete continuum of academic programs to improve the educational and developmental outcomes of children in our most distressed communities; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that Chad Smith, 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 14th day of June, 2010, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 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 21st day of JUNE, 2010.


Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:


Melanie Knight, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE</u>	
Dept/Program:	
Signature/Initial	Date
Group Leader:	
Signature/Initial	Date
Finance (if needed):	
Signature/Initial	Date
Government Resources:	
Signature/Initial	Date
Administration Approval:	
	Date
Signature/Initial	Date

<u>LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE:</u>	
Legal & Legislative Coordinator:	
	Date
Signature/Initial	Date
Standing Committee & Date:	
<u>Education & Culture</u>	
<u>6-14-10</u>	
Chairperson:	
<u>Coates</u>	
Signature/Initial	Date
Returned to Presenter:	
Date	

Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form

Act Resolution

TITLE:

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Gloria Sly

RESOLUTION PRESENTER: Melanie Knight

COUNCIL SPONSOR: Julia Coates

NARRATIVE:

Title of Program (Grantor Title): Promise Neighborhoods Program

Funding Agency: Department of Education Office of Innovation and Improvement

Due Date: June 25, 2010

Funding Agency Request: \$500,000

Match Amount: \$125,000 Cash or In-kind

Award Date: September 30, 2010

This is a proposal to the Department of Education for planning funds that will build a complete continuum of academic, health and social service programs to improve the educational and developmental outcomes of children in our most distressed communities.