Committee: Resources Committee Author: Bruce Davis
Date: 10/11/17 Committee Date: 10/23/17 Sponsor: Rex Jordan

**RESOLUTION NO. 71-17** 

## COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION'S APPLICATION FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP INTO THE INTERTRIBAL BUFFALO COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government on 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 engages in numerous agricultural endeavors and is desirous of expanding activities within this field for the betterment of the Cherokee Nation and its Citizens;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation deems membership in the InterTribal Buffalo Council (ITBC) a necessary step in the development of the required expertise and relationships needed for successful American Bison husbandry;

WHEREAS, the ITBC has extended an offer of consideration for full membership unto the Cherokee Nation;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Office of the Principal Chief is authorized to submit an application for membership consideration of the Cherokee Nation into the InterTribal Buffalo Council (ITBC) for the purposes of becoming a full, official, and voting member of the ITBC and to facilitate the development of technical expertise and professional/business relationships in the field of American Bison husbandry.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION,** that Chris Barnhart is authorized to act/vote on behalf of the Cherokee Nation as required to ensure that the Tribe's interests and positions are represented;

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that Gunter Gulager shall be the alternate delegate and may act in the absence of the delegate; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that dues payable to the InterTribal Buffalo Council shall be paid as they come due and will be paid out of an appropriate Natural Resources budget until such time as this resolution is amended or rescinded; and
- **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that nothing in this resolution diminishes, divests, alters or otherwise affects any inherent, treaty, statutory, common law or other rights of the Cherokee Nation over any tribal land nor over the aforementioned activities conducted upon such land. The

Cherokee Nation retains all rights and authority over said tribal land, including but not limited to legislative, regulatory, adjudicatory and taxing powers.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the  $23^{rd}$  day of October, 2017, having 16 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 16 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

Jog Byrd, Speaker

Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Frankie Hargis, Secreta

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 24 day of October, 2017.

Bill John Baker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Chuck Hoskin Jr., Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation

## **Cherokee Nation** <u>ADMINISTRATIVE</u> **Act/Resolution Proposal Form** CLEARANCE X Resolution Act Dept/Program: TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Cherokee Nation's Application for Full Membership into the InterTribal Buffalo Council Signature/Initial Date **DEPARTMENT CONTACT:** Chris Barnhart **Executive Director:** RESOLUTION PRESENTER: Bruce Davis COUNCIL SPONSOR: Rex Jordan Signature/Initial Treasurer: (Required: NARRATIVE: Grants/Contracts/Budgets) Resolution changing from Gunter Gulager to Chris Barnhart to act/vote on behalf of the Cherokee Nation Signature/Initial · Date **Government Resources:** Signature/Initial Date Administration Approval: LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE: Legal & Legislative Coordinator: Signature/Initial Standing Committee & Date: Date Returned to Presenter:

Date