

Committee: Community Services
Date: 02/01/12 Committee Date: 02/13/12

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RESOLUTION NO. 39-12

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CHEROKEE NATION AND THE BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS ORGANIZATION FOR THE PURPOSES OF APPLYING FOR AND ADMINISTERING A PROGRAM TO BENEFIT CHEROKEE YOUTH

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self government on 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 has a responsibility to promote the well being of tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation wishes to provide every possible opportunity to Cherokee young people; and,

WHEREAS, the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program has requested a partnership with Cherokee Nation to provide Big Brother and Big Service mentoring services to Cherokee youth; and,

WHEREAS, the funds to operate such a program are available in a set aside for Big Brother and Big Sisters and other national organizations; and

WHEREAS, said program may be coordinated through communities or schools; and

WHEREAS, there are many Cherokee community organizations within the tribe located in small, rural Cherokee communities that continue to search for opportunities for their children; and

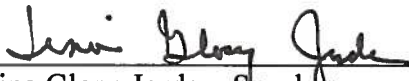
WHEREAS, a coordinative mechanism exists within Community Development to facilitate such partnerships between Big Brothers and Big Sisters and Cherokee rural communities;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council supports and encourages a partnership between the tribe and Big Brothers and Big Sisters program for work in Cherokee communities to benefit Cherokee youth, and does request that Cherokee tribal youth be added to the program of Big Brothers and Big Sisters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council requests full consideration from the Department of Justice in funding the addition of Cherokee youth to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program through monies reserved for that purpose.

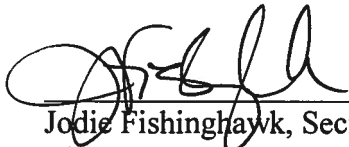
CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 12th day of March, 2012, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.



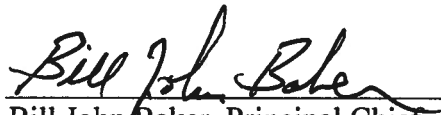
Tina Glory-Jordan, Speaker
Cherokee Nation Tribal Council

ATTEST:



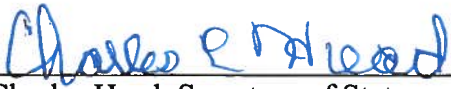
Jodie Fishinghawk, Secretary
Cherokee Nation Tribal Council

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 13th day of March, 2012.



Bill John Baker, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:



Charles Head, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form

Act Resolution

TITLE:

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BETWEEN CHEROKEE NATION AND THE BIG
BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF OKLAHOMA FOR
THE PURPOSES OF APPLYING FOR AND
ADMINISTERING A PROGRAM TO BENEFIT
CHEROKEE YOUTH**

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Ricky Gassaway

RESOLUTION PRESENTER: Molly Jarvis, Vice President, CNB

COUNCIL SPONSOR: Tina Glory-Jordan

NARRATIVE:

This Resolution is requesting a partnership with Cherokee Nation and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Oklahoma to provide mentoring services to Cherokee youth in Cherokee Rural communities that continue to search for opportunities for their children and that Cherokee tribal youth be added to the program.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
CLEARANCE**

Dept/Program:

COTTA
Ricky Gassaway
2-1-12

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Group Leader:

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Finance (if needed):

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Government Resources:

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Administration Approval:

Charles R. Head 2-1-12

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE:

Legal & Legislative Coordinator:

[Signature] 2/3/12

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Standing Committee & Date:

Community Service 2/13/12

Chairperson:

[Signature]

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Returned to Presenter: _____

Date _____