

An Act

Legislative Act 22-21

ACT RELATING TO THE NAMING OF THE BONNIE KIRK VILLAGE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION:

Section 1. Title and Codification

This act shall be known as “The Bonnie Kirk Village (ᎠᎹᎠᎿ ᎠᎵᎠᎵ) Naming Act of 2021.”

Section 2. Purpose

The purpose of this Act is to provide a designation of the name “The Bonnie Kirk Village (ᎠᎹᎠᎿ ᎠᎵᎠᎵ)” to the homes built for elder, Cherokee speakers, located at 16403 US-62 HWY in Tahlequah. The homes should henceforth be referred to legally and informally as “The Bonnie Kirk Village (ᎠᎹᎠᎿ ᎠᎵᎠᎵ) or Niquidayi Gaduhv.”

Section 3. Legislative History

LA-18-11, Title 61 C.N.C.A. § 1, *et seq.*, Building and Facility Naming Act of 2011

Section 5. Substantive Provisions

1. The Building and Facility Naming Act of 2011, Title 61 C.N.C.A. § 1, *et seq.*, requires that the names of Cherokee Nation buildings may only be designated or redesignated by Act of the Council of Cherokee Nation.
2. Bonnie Pigeon Kirk, from Marble City, accomplished much in her life. She grew up in a Cherokee speaking household with parents who only spoke Cherokee at home, with seven siblings who all spoke Cherokee as well. She spent her last 12 years working at the Cherokee Immersion School where she found a home with other Cherokee speakers looking after Cherokee children. Anyone who knew or met her can attest to her giving nature, and she gave what she had, be it language for Cherokee learners or guests wanting coffee and food at the grounds. The support and kindness she offered was constant, always present, every day. She never spoke of being Cherokee, she lived being Cherokee. To those values, beliefs, and ways that are Cherokee, ᎠᎹᎠᎿ embodied them throughout her life,

and it was the totality of those ideals she wanted to ensure survived for all future Cherokee generations.

Section 6. Provisions as cumulative

The provisions of this act shall be cumulative to existing law.

Section 7. Severability

The provisions of this act are severable and if any part of provision hereof shall be held void the decision of the court so holding shall not affect or impair any of the remaining parts or provisions of this act.

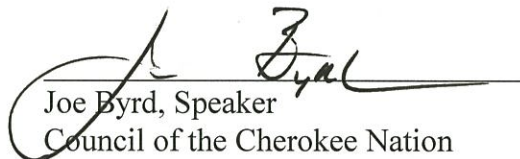
Section 8. Effective Date

The provisions of this act shall become effective thirty (30) days from and after the date of its passage and approval.


Section 9. Self-Help Contributions

To the extent that this Act involves programs or services to citizens of the Nation or others, self-help contributions shall be required, unless specifically prohibited by the funding agency, or a waiver is granted due to physical or mental incapacity of the participant to contribute.


Enacted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation on the 17th day of May, 2021.


Joe Byrd, Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation

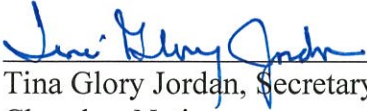
ATTEST:


Janees Taylor, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 20th day of May, 2021.


Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

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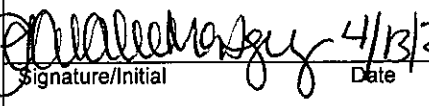
Tina Glory Jordan, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

YEAS AND NAYS AS RECORDED:

Rex Jordan	<u>Yea</u>	Harley Buzzard	<u>Yea</u>
Joe Byrd	<u>Yea</u>	Victoria Vazquez	<u>Yea</u>
Wes Nofire	<u>Yea</u>	Dora Smith Patzkowski	<u>Yea</u>
Mike Dobbins	<u>Yea</u>	Joe Deere	<u>Yea</u>
E. O. "Jr." Smith	<u>Yea</u>	Keith Austin	<u>Yea</u>
Daryl Legg	<u>Yea</u>	Janees Taylor	<u>Yea</u>
Canaan Duncan	<u>Yea</u>	Julia Coates	<u>Yea</u>
Shawn Crittenden	<u>Yea</u>	Mary Baker Shaw	<u>Yea</u>
Mike Shambaugh	<u>Yea</u>		

Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form

Act Resolution

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE</u>	
Dept/Program:	
Signature/Initial	Date
Executive Director:	
Signature/Initial	Date
Treasurer (Required: Grants/Contracts/Budgets):	
Signature/Initial	Date
Government Relations:	
Signature/Initial	Date
Administration Approval:	
 Signature/Initial	4/13/21 Date

TITLE:

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DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Chuck Hoskin Jr.

RESOLUTION PRESENTER: Taralee Montgomery

COUNCIL SPONSOR: Canaan Duncan, EO Smith, Daryl Legg
Joe Byrd

NARRATIVE:

The purpose of this Act is to provide a designation of the name of The Bonnie Kirk Village (ᎠᎵᎠᎵ ᎠᎵᎠᎵ) to the homes and area encompassing the homes located in Tahlequah. The homes and area encompassing the homes, should henceforth be referred to legally and informally as "The Bonnie Kirk Village (ᎠᎵᎠᎵ ᎠᎵᎠᎵ) or Niquidayi Gaduhv."

<u>LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE:</u>	
Legal & Legislative Coordinator:	
 Signature/Initial	4/13/21 Date
Standing Committee & Date:	
<i>Rules 4-29-21</i>	
Chairperson:	
	

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