Committee: Rules Committee

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RESOLUTION NO. 24-25

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THOMAS MERRELL AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of selfgovernment 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 Economic Development Trust Authority was created and authorized by Legislative Act 36-89; and,

WHEREAS, the appointment of the Board of Directors in Legislative Act 38-89 was nullified by JAT 97-01; and,

WHERAS, the appointment of members of the Board, replacing the portion of Legislative Act 36-89 previously addressing the appointment of said board members, is provided for in Legislative Act 04-02; and,

WHEREAS, the Principal Chief is authorized to appoint the members of the Board subject to conformation by majority vote of the Council of the Cherokee Nation; and,

WHEREAS, Thomas Merrell is duly qualified to fill this position pursuant to the Bylaws of the Economic Development Trust Authority Board of Directors and is hereby nominated for reappointment.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that Thomas Merrell is hereby confirmed as a member of the Board of Directors for the Economic Development Trust Authority for a term of three (3) years, beginning April 2025 until April 30, 2028.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 14th day of April, 2025, having 15 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 15 yea; — nay; — abstaining.

> Mike Shambaugh, Speaker Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Johnny Jack Kidwell, Secretary Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 2316 day of April , 2025.

Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Shella Bowlin, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation

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