

Committee: Community Services  
Date: 07-07-08 Committee Date: 07-15-08

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RESOLUTION NO. 66-08

## COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FAMILY ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES FOR FY 2009 FUNDING FOR LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)

**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**, the Cherokee Nation has had extensive experience administering energy assistance programs for low-income households.


**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council authorizes the Family Services Department to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the FY 2009 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, and that the Principal Chief, and/or his authorized designee, be authorized to negotiate all contract(s) and any amendments thereto.

### CERTIFICATION

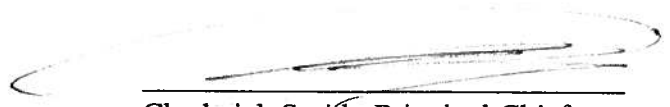
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

  
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Meredith A. Frailey, Speaker  
Council of the Cherokee Nation

**ATTEST:**

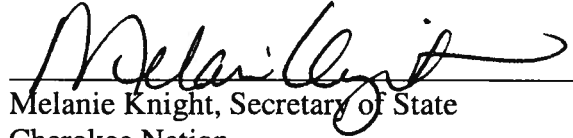
  
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Don Garvin, Secretary  
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 15th day of August, 2008.



Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief  
Cherokee Nation

**ATTEST:**



Melanie Knight, Secretary of State  
Cherokee Nation

**ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE:**

Program/Project Manager:

Lee James 7-2-08  
Signature Date

Department Director:

[Signature] 7-2-08  
Signature Date

Executive Director:

Nancy Moore 7-2-08  
Signature Date

Controller (if needed):

Signature Date

Government Resources Group:

[Signature] 7/7/08  
Signature Date

Administration Approval:

[Signature] 7/7/08  
Signature Date

**LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE**

Legislative Aide:

Signature/Initial Date

Standing Committee:

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Next Meeting Date

Chairperson:

Signature/Initial Date

Returned to Presenter: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Cherokee Nation  
Act/Resolution Proposal Form**

Act

Resolution

**TITLE:** Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Department Contact: Jerry D. Snell, Director, Family Assistance Department

Resolution Presenter: Jerry D. Snell

Sponsor: Harley Buzzard

**NARRATIVE:**

*(See Attached Outline for Information Needed)*

The LIHEAP Program will provide residential energy assistance payments to approximately 1400 low income Tribal households with children under the age of six. The program will also provide 425 households with emergency payments for residential energy related crisis.