Committee: Resources

Date: <u>05-03-07</u> Committee Date: <u>05-14-07</u>

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RESOLUTION NO. 56-07

# COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS TO SUBMIT A FORMAL GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR A BROWNFIELDS GRANT

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 established the Environmental Protection Commission and Environmental Programs to protect public health, welfare and the environment;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has funds available to assist Indian tribes in operating Brownfields Environmental Enhancement Projects.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Tribal Council authorizes Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs to submit a formal application should the proposal be selected for said project and that Chad Smith, Principal Chief (or his designee) shall be authorized to conduct contract negotiations and execute all official documents in this regard.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 11th day of June, 2007, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.

> Meredith A. Frailey, Speaker Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Don Garvin, Secretary

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 15th day of June, 2007.

Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Cherokee Nation

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# Cherokee Nation Act /Resolution Proposal Form

Act X Resolution

TITLE: A Resolution Authorizing Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs to Submit an Application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for a Brownfields Grant

**DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Bobby Short** 

Resolution Presenter: <u>Jeannine Hale</u>

SPONSOR: Jackie Bob Martin

### NARRATIVE:

(See Attached Outline for Information Needed)

EPA's Brownfields Redevelopment Initiative is an organized commitment to help communities revitalize such properties both environmentally and economically, mitigate potential health risk, and restore economic vitality to area where Brownfields exist.

The grant will seek funds for the following activities:

- 1) Locate and evaluate Brownfields sites affecting tribal population.
- 2) Site remediation planning and design for sites on or near tribal land.
- 3) Program training and development for tribal employees.
- 4) Oversee environmental cleanups and establish redevelopment activities.

The grant funds will be routed through Cherokee Nation Environmental Programs, thus enabling the office's environmental professionals to perform the tasks delineated in the work plan.

Grant total: \$211,000.00

Match: \$0

Project period: 10/1/2007 to 9/30/2008