

**RESOLUTION No. 45-25**

**COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
INTERIOR AND INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE TO TRANSFER TITLE OF THE  
CLAREMORE INDIAN HOSPITAL PROPERTY TO THE UNITED STATES IN TRUST  
FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION**

**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 Council of the Cherokee Nation, by Resolution 57-24, of September 16, 2024, expressed support for the Principal Chief compacting programs, services, functions and activities and ownership of facilities of the Indian Health Service's Claremore Service Unit, commonly and historically referred to as "Claremore Indian Hospital"; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation has made agreements with Indian Health Service relating to the assumption, administration, operation of the Claremore Indian Hospital on October 1, 2025, under Title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. §§ 5381-5399 ("ISDEAA"); and,

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation administers and operates tribal community health programs and the Claremore Indian Hospital in accordance with applicable federal law, the ISDEAA, a Compact and Funding Agreement under Title V of the ISDEAA, and the laws and policies of the Cherokee Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Claremore Indian Hospital, including all lands, buildings, structures, and related facilities, i.e., water systems, heating plants, etc., are presently owned by the U.S. Government; and,

**WHEREAS**, 42 C.F.R. § 137.215(a) provides "the Self-Governance Tribe must take title to all real or personal property (furnished by the Federal Government for use in the performance of a compact, funding agreement) unless the Self-Governance Tribe requests that the United States retain the title;" and,

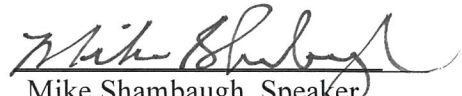
**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 5392(c)(2)(C), after taking title to the Claremore Indian Hospital Property the Tribe will "remain eligible for replacement, maintenance, and improvement on the same basis as if title to such property were vested in the United States."

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tribal Council hereby determines, pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 137.215(a), the Tribe will take title to Claremore Indian Hospital Property; and

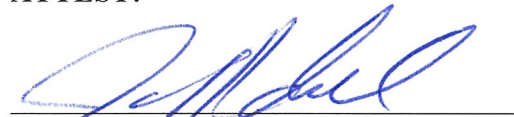
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cherokee Nation requests that the Department of Interior and the Indian Health Service transfer title of the Claremore Indian Hospital Property to the United States in trust for the Cherokee Nation.

#### CERTIFICATION


The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025, having 16 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 15 yea; 0 nay; 1 abstaining.

  
Mike Shambaugh, Speaker  
Council of the Cherokee Nation

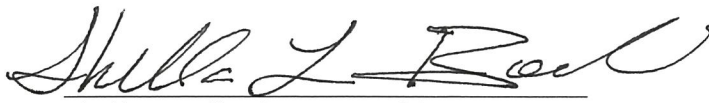
ATTEST:

  
Johnny Jack Kidwell, Secretary  
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

  
Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief  
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

  
Shella Bowlin, Secretary of State  
Cherokee Nation

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
CLEARANCE**

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]* 5-13-25  
Signature/Initial Date

**LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE:**

Legal & Legislative Coordinator:

*[Signature]* 5/13/25  
Signature/Initial Date

Standing Committee & Date:

*[Signature]* 5/29/25

Chairperson:

*[Signature]*  
Signature/Initial Date

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RESOLUTION PRESENTER: Canaan Duncan

COUNCIL SPONSOR: Mike Shambaugh,

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