

RESOLUTION NO. 64-08

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE EARLY CHILDHOOD PILOT PROJECT

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 recognizes the needs of children and families to receive quality child care and supportive services;

WHEREAS, the need of such citizens to receive child care that allows families to work and attend school;


WHEREAS, Cherokee Nation Child Care and Development wishes to expand capacity for serving infants and toddlers through high quality early childhood services;

WHEREAS, Cherokee Nation Child Care and Development will be awarded funding from the State with a matching fund requirement ranging from a minimum match of \$135,582.00 to a maximum match of \$271,164.00.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council of the Cherokee Nation authorizes Cherokee Nation Child Care and Development to accept funds from the State of Oklahoma for participation in The Statewide Early Childhood Pilot Project and that the Principal Chief (or his designee) is authorized to negotiate 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 August, 2008, 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:



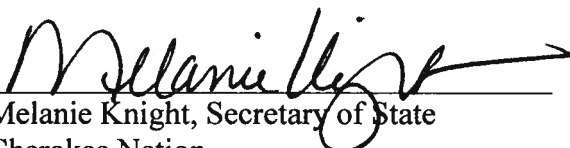
Don Garvin, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

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



Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

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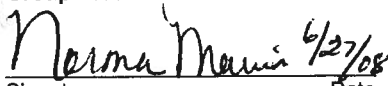
Melanie Knight, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

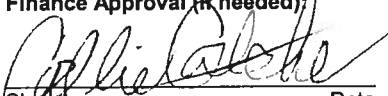
Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form


ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE:


Program/Project Manager:
 6/27/08
 Signature Date

Department Director:
 Signature Date

Group Leader:
 6/27/08
 Signature Date

Finance Approval (if needed):

 Signature Date

Government Resources Group:
 7/2/08
 Signature Date

Administration Approval:

 Signature Date

Act Resolution

TITLE: Participation in The Statewide Early Childhood Pilot Project

Department Contact: Laurie Hand, Director of Child Care and Development

Resolution Presenter: Norma Merriman, Group Leader Human Services

Council Sponsor: Harley Buzzard

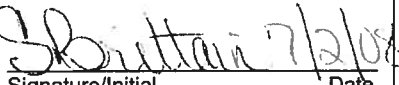
NARRATIVE:
(See Attached Outline for Information Needed)

The purpose of this resolution is to accept funds from the State of Oklahoma that would allow the Cherokee Nation Child Development Center to participate in the Statewide Early Childhood Pilot Project. This project would be an enhancement to and expansion of the services already provided by the Child Development Center in Tahlequah. An expansion of classrooms, new slots for children, and staff are planned.

A Cash Match ranging from a minimum match of \$135,582.00 to a maximum match of \$271,164.00. The range is dependent on funding available from outside private funding sources, which is currently being solicited.


This funding will supplement child care and child development operations and supportive services to children and families. Those families in need of quality child care will directly benefit from this funding.

LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE

Legislative Aide:
 7/2/08
 Signature/Initial Date

Standing Committee:
Community Service

7/15/08
 Next Meeting Date

Chairperson:

 Signature/Initial Date

Returned to Presenter: _____
 Date