Committee: Resource Committee

Date: <u>07/30/24</u> Committee Date: <u>08/12/24</u>

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RESOLUTION NO. 49-24

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO LEASE TRIBAL TRUST LAND IN OCHELATA OKLAHOMA TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CHEROKEE ASSOCIATION (WCCA)

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 Washington County Cherokee Association (WCCA) wishes to lease a portion of the Cherokee Nation Trust Land located in Ochelata OK for a term of twenty-five (25) years beginning on the date of approval by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, with an option to renew for an additional twenty-five (25) years, subject to conditions set in the lease. The rental amount will be negotiated between the Cherokee Nation and the Washington County Cherokee Association. The Tribal Trust tract is located in part of Section 31, Township 25 North, Range 13 East, Washington County, Oklahoma;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation Real Estate Services requests the Tribal Council to issue a waiver of said regulation requiring bonds on Cherokee Tribal Land Leases pursuant to regulations contained in 25 CFR §162.434(f)(g). Cherokee Nation has determined that a waiver of performance bond or alternative form of security is in the best interest of the tribe, and;

WHEREAS, The Cherokee Nation requests a Waiver of Valuation and that the Negotiated Value between Cherokee Nation and the Washington County Cherokee Association be used pursuant to 25 CFR §162.420(a).

- 1. Cherokee Nation has negotiated compensation satisfactory to the tribe.
- 2. Cherokee Nation waives valuation; and
- 3. Cherokee Nation has determined that accepting such negotiated compensation and waiving valuation is in the best interest of the Cherokee Nation.

WHEREAS, The Cherokee Nation believes that not having a Compensation Review or adjustment is in the best interest of the tribe pursuant to *Title 25 CFR §162.428(a)*.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Principal Chief of Cherokee Nation, Chuck Hoskin Jr., and/or his authorized designee(s) be authorized to enter into the above described leasing, with the negotiated compensation with the appraisal and bond waived, in accordance with 25 CFR § 162 and the Bureau of Indian Affairs policy and procedure for leasing of land owned by United States of America in Trust for Cherokee Nation.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the $\underline{16^{th}}$ day of September, 2024, having $\underline{\square}$ members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of $\underline{\square}$ yea; $\underline{\square}$ nay; $\underline{\square}$ abstaining.
Mike Shambaugh, Speaker Council of the Cherokee Nation
ATTEST: Dora Patzkowski, Secretary Council of the Cherokee Nation
Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this day of September, 2094. Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief Cherokee Nation
ATTEST: Shella Bowlin, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation

Administrative Clearance Program/Project Manager Signature/Initial Date Department Director: nature/Initial Executive Director: Signature/Initial Controller: (If Needed) Signature/Initial Government Resources Dept: Signature/Initial Date Administration Approval: 7/30/2024

Legislative Clearance Standing Committee: Next Meeting Date Chairperson Signature/Initial

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TITLE: A Resolution Authorizing Cherokee Nation to lease Tribal Trust land in Ochelata OK to the Washington County Cherokee Association (WCCA).

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: JOEL BEAN

RESOLUTION PRESENTER: GINGER REEVES

sponsor: Victoria Vazquez, Dova Patzhowski, hevin Fasley

NARRATIVE:

The request set forth in the attached resolution is for Cherokee Nation to lease Tribal Trust land to the Washington County Cherokee Association (WCCA), in Ochelata OK for a term of 25 years with a 25-year option to renew. Cherokee Nation also requests to waive the bond, appraisal and has determined that negotiated value and not having a compensation review is in the best interest of the tribe.

IF FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED, PLEASE CONTACT GINGER REEVES, REAL ESTATE SERVICES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, EXT. 5675 OR JOEL BEAN, DIRECTOR, REAL ESTATE SERVICES, EXT. 3697