

Committee: Special Rules
Date: 8-15-07 Committee Date: 8-17-07

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RESOLUTION NO. 85-07

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

**A RESOLUTION ELECTING THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY SPEAKER
FOR THE CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government in 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, under Article V of the Cherokee Constitution the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council is a separate and independent branch of the Cherokee Nation government; and,

WHEREAS, The Cherokee Nation Constitution Article VI Section 2 states that the Council shall elect a Speaker and Deputy Speaker from its own membership to officiate over Council meetings; and,


WHEREAS, the Deputy Speaker shall assume the duties of Speaker of the Cherokee Council upon death, resignation or removal of the Speaker, and shall preside over meetings of the Tribal Council in the absence of the Speaker; and,

WHEREAS, the Deputy Speaker of the Council is to be a member with high qualification and experience capable of performing the duties of the office with fidelity; and,


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council that Cara Cowan Watts be elected as Deputy Speaker of the Cherokee Nation Council for the legislative term beginning August 2007 and ending August 2011.

CERTIFICATION

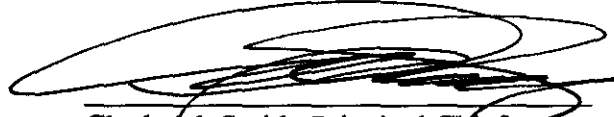
The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting thereof on the 10th day of September 2007, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by a vote of 17 yea 0 nay; and 0 abstaining.


Meredith Frailey, Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:



Don Garvin, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 13th day of September, 2007.

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Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Melanie Knight", written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and stylized.

Melanie Knight, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation