

Committee: Special Rules  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 84-07**

**COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION**

**A RESOLUTION ELECTING THE OFFICE OF 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,

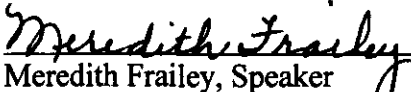
**WHEREAS**, the Speaker of the Council is to be a member with high qualification and experience capable of performing the duties of the office with fidelity; and,

**WHEREAS**, under Article VII Section 4 of the Cherokee Nation Constitution states that in case of removal, death, resignation or disability of the Deputy Chief, then the Speaker of the Council shall succeed to that office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council that Meredith A. Frailey be elected as 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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:**



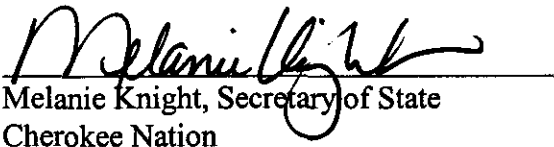
Don Garvin, Secretary  
Council of the Cherokee Nation

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



Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief  
Cherokee Nation

**ATTEST:**



Melanie Knight, Secretary of State  
Cherokee Nation