

Committee: Resource

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Sponsor: Joe Byrd

RESOLUTION NO. 52-18

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF LAND IN TRUST-
JOHN ROSS MUSEUM**

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, Cherokee Nation owns property in Cherokee County, Oklahoma, now known as the John Ross Museum. Located in the Park Hill community, the property houses the John Ross Museum in the former Rural School #51 building. Operational from 1918 through the 1950s, the former school grounds are adjacent to the Ross Cemetery. The John Ross Museum property is further described as follows:

Indian Meridian, Oklahoma, Cherokee County

Township 16 North, Range 22 East,

Section 23, A parcel of land situated in the NW4 SW4 NW4;

COMMENCING at the West quarter corner, marked with an Oklahoma Department of Transportation Brass Monument;

THENCE, North 00° 01' 45" West, along the West boundary 659.96 feet to the SW corner of the NW4 SW4 NW4 and the true POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE, South 89° 52' 18" East, along the South boundary of NW4 SW4 NW4, 360.72 feet to a point on West boundary of the Ross Cemetery, as in deed filed May 27, 1929 in Book 77 Page 98;

THENCE, North 160 feet along the West boundary of Ross Cemetery as in deed filed May 27, 1929 in Book 77 Page 98;

THENCE, North 89° 52' 18" West 152.80 feet;

THENCE, North 00° 01' 45" West 152.00 feet;

THENCE, North 89° 52' 18" West 208.00 feet to a point on the West boundary of Section 23;

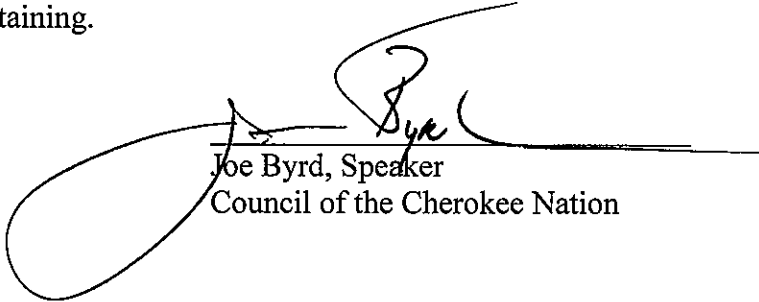
THENCE, South 00° 01' 45" East 312.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
Containing 2.05 acres, more or less.
BASIS OF BEARINGS: True North

WHEREAS, Cherokee Nation desires to transfer fee title to United States of America in Trust for Cherokee Nation under the provisions of Title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Principal Chief of Cherokee Nation, Bill John Baker, and/or his authorized designee(s) be authorized to request the Secretary of the Interior to place said tracts of land in Trust for Cherokee Nation in accordance with Bureau of Indian Affairs policy and procedure for the acquisition of land.

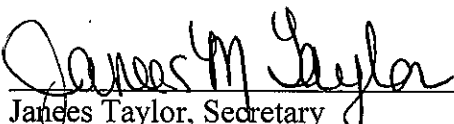
CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 17th day of December, 2018, having 16 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 16 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.



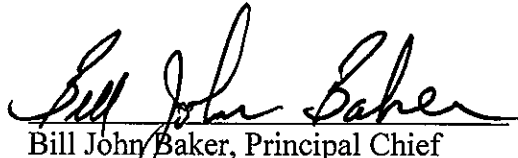
Joe Byrd, Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:




James Taylor, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 18th day of December, 2018.



Bill John Baker, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:



Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

Administrative Clearance

Program/Project Manager

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Department Director:

GR 10/23/2018
Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Executive Director:

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Controller: (If Needed)

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Government Resources Dept:

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Administration Approval:

[Signature]
Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Legislative Clearance

Legislative Aide:

[Signature] 10/31/18
Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Standing Committee:

Resource

11/13/18
Next Meeting Date

Chairperson:

[Signature]
Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

Returned to Presenter: _____

Signature/Initial _____ Date _____

**Cherokee Nation
Act /Resolution Proposal Form**

Act

Resolution

TITLE: A Resolution Authorizing Placement in Trust by United States of America for Cherokee Nation of John Ross Museum 2.05 acres.

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Real Estate Services

RESOLUTION PRESENTER: GINGER REEVES

SPONSOR: Joe Byrd

NARRATIVE:

This Resolution applies to the property now known as John Ross Museum in Park Hill, Cherokee County. The Resolution provides authorization to transfer title of Cherokee Nation to United States of America in Trust for Cherokee Nation of the 2.05 acre tract.

This property is the site of Rural School #51 originally built in 1913 to serve Cherokee and non-Cherokee students. Students attended from 1913 through the 1950s.

It is now serving as a Museum for the former Ross School and the adjoining Ross Cemetery.

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IF FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED, PLEASE CONTACT GINGER REEVES, REAL ESTATE SERVICES DIRECTOR, EXT. 5675 OR MARSHEA HALTERMAN, REALTY SPECIALIST III, EXT. 3960