Committee: Resource

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RESOLUTION NO. 51-15

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF LAND IN TRUST-OAKS MISSION SCHOOL (ROCKY FORD) 5.0 ACRES

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 authorizes the acceptance in Trust for Cherokee Nation of a tract of land identified as Oaks Mission School (Rocky Ford) in Cherokee County. Oaks Mission School has been determined by Eastern Oklahoma Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior, to be eligible for transfer to United States of America in Trust for Cherokee Nation under 40 U.S.C. §523 (b)(2)(B). The former day school property is further described as follows:

N2 NW4 SE4 NE4 of Section 12, Township 19 North, Range 22 East, IB&M, Cherokee County, Oklahoma. Containing 5.0 acres, more or less;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the United States of America is formally requested to transfer the Oaks Mission School (Rocky Ford) to United States of America in Trust for Cherokee Nation.

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 accept from the Secretary of the Interior 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 $\underline{10^{th}}$ day of $\underline{\text{August}}$, 2015, having $\underline{17}$ members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of $\underline{17}$ yea; $\underline{0}$ nay; $\underline{0}$ abstaining.

Tina Glory Jordan, Speaker Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Jodie Fishinghawk, Secretary Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this	day of	August	, 2015
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Bill John Baker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation

ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE Executive Director: Signature/Initial Treasurer: (Required: Grants/Contracts/Budgets) Date **Government Resources:** Signature/Initial Date Administration Approval: LEGISLATIVE CLEARANCE: Legal & Legiplative Coordinator: Standing Committee & Date: Chairperson: Date Returned to Presenter:

Date

Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form

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TITLE:	Acceptance in Trust	Oaks Miss	ion School	(Rocky Ford)	
DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Ginger Reeves					
RESOLUTION PRESENTER:					
COUNC	L SPONSOR:	Cu	rtis	Snell	

NARRATIVE:

This Resolution provides authorization to accept Oaks Mission School (Rocky Ford) in Cherokee County from United States of America in Trust for Cherokee Nation. A former Day School, the five acre tract is available as a Trust to Trust transfer to Cherokee Nation under 40 U.S.C. §523 (b)(2)(B).