Committee: Resource Author: Todd Hembree

Date: 10-07-08 Committee Date: 10-13-08 Sponsor: All 2008 Tribal Council Members

RESOLUTION NO. 87-08

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF TAHLEQUAH, INC., THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF GREEN COUNTRY, THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF SEQUOYAH COUNTY, THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF NOWATA, THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF DELAWARE COUNTY AND THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF CHELSEA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MENTORING PROGRAM FOR AT-RISK TRIBAL YOUTH AND TO ACCEPT FUNDING ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT THE MENTORING PROGRAM FOR AT-RISK TRIBAL YOUTH

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 continuing government to government relationship with the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council is the governing body of the Cherokee Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council is empowered, under the Constitution and Bylaws of the Cherokee Nation to promote and protect the health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Cherokee Nation, the communities and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the safety and well-being of the Cherokee Nation, the communities and its citizens is a high priority to the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (OJP) announced the MENTORING PROGRAM FOR AT-RISK TRIBAL YOUTH to establish a program based on one-on-one or group mentoring with at-risk youth; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, The Boys & Girls Clubs of Tahlequah, Inc., The Boys & Girls Clubs of Green Country, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Sequoyah County, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Nowata, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware County and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Chelsea were selected as mentoring sites in Indian Country to participate in the MENTORING PROGRAM FOR AT-RISK TRIBAL YOUTH; and

WHEREAS, The Boys & Girls Clubs of Tahlequah, Inc., The Boys & Girls Clubs of Green Country, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Sequoyah County, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Nowata, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware County and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Chelsea will work with the OJP to establish the mentoring program; and

WHEREAS, the OJP will provide The Boys & Girls Clubs of Tahlequah, Inc., The Boys & Girls Clubs of Green Country, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Sequoyah County, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Nowata, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware County and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Chelsea with funding to assist in the development and implementation of the MENTORING PROGRAM FOR AT-RISK TRIBAL YOUTH plans, including funding for training and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the communities for The Boys & Girls Clubs of Tahlequah, Inc., The Boys & Girls Clubs of Green Country, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Sequoyah County, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Nowata, The Boys and Girls Clubs of

Delaware County and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Chelsea to participate in the MENTORING PROGRAM FOR AT-RISK TRIBAL YOUTH.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL, and hereby authorizes The Boys & Girls Clubs of Tahlequah, Inc., The Boys & Girls Clubs of Green Country, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Sequoyah County, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Nowata, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware County and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Chelsea to participate in the MENTORING PROGRAM FOR ATRISK TRIBAL YOUTH PROGRAM and accept any funds on behalf of the communities to support the MENTORING PROGRAM FOR ATRISK TRIBAL YOUTH PROGRAM.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to sign any other documents or take any other necessary action to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the $\underline{13th}$ day of $\underline{October}$, 2008, having $\underline{17}$ members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of $\underline{17}$ yea; $\underline{0}$ nay; $\underline{0}$ abstaining.

Meredith A. Frailey, Speaker Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Don Garvin, Secretary

Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 15th day of October , 2008

Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Melanie Knight, Secretary of State

Cherokee Nation