Committee: Resources Committee

Date: <u>03-02-10</u> Committee Date: <u>03-15-10</u>

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### **RESOLUTION NO. 29-10**

# **COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION**

# A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF LAND IN TRUST – MORGAN DRAIN 81.5 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 has acquired a tract of land located in Adair County, Oklahoma, more particularly described as follows:

The SE4 SE4 and SW NE SE and SE NW SE and the N2 SW SE and SE SW SE and E2 W2 NW SE, LESS AND EXCEPT the SE SW NW SE AND LESS AND EXCEPT the North 208.75 feet of the West 208.75 feet of the NE SW NW SE and LESS AND EXCEPT the E2 NW NW SE, all being in Section 25, Township 15 North, Range 24 East, LESS AND EXCEPT: Commencing at the NW/corner of the SE NW SE of Section 25, Township 15 North, Range 24 East, Adair County, Oklahoma, thence S 89°52'00" E on North line of SE NW SE a distance of 99.46 feet to the point of beginning; thence S 89°52'00" E, a distance of 660.00 feet; thence S 00°01'00" E, a distance of 660.00 feet; thence N 89°52'00" W, a distance of 660.00 feet to the point of beginning.

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation desires to have said property placed United States of America in Trust for the Cherokee Nation. The property is vacant land adjoining Cherokee Nation Trust lands on the West boundaries of the Morgan Drain tract. This tract of land is home to an endangered species of bats.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION,** that the Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Chadwick Smith, and/or his authorized designee(s) be authorized to request the Secretary of Interior to place said tract of land in Trust in accordance with Bureau of Indian Affair 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  $\underline{12}^{th}$  day of April, 2010, having  $\underline{16}$  members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of  $\underline{16}$  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 19th day of April

Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

Cherokee Nation

ADMINISTRATIVE CLEARANCE: Program/Project Manager:		Cherokee Nation Act/Resolution Proposal Form	
Signature  Department Director:	Date	Act	X Resolution
Signature	Date	TITLE: Placement of Land in Trust - Morgan Drain	
Group Leader:		Department Contact:	Linda Donelson
Signature	Date	Resolution Presenter:	Linda Donelson
Finance Approval (if needed)	:	Council Sponsor:	Joe Crittenden and Jodie Fishinghawk
Signature  Government Resources Ground Signature  Administration Approval:  Signature	Date ap:  Date  Date  Date	NARRATIVE:  (See Attached Outline for Information Needed)  The purpose of this resolution is authorization of a fee to trust acquisition application on this property located in Adair County consisting of 81.5 acres. The land shares its west boundary with Cherokee Nation Trust lands.	
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