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RESOLUTION NO. 31-21

COUNCIL OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A MEMORIAL HONORING THE CHEROKEE
SPEAKERS LOST TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of self-government on 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

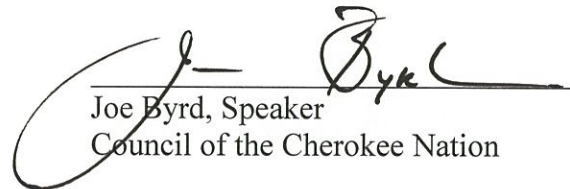
WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation has lost many of its Cherokee speakers to the COVID-19 pandemic creating a hardship on numerous Cherokee families and the language and cultural preservation of the Cherokee people; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation has determined that in order to honor the Cherokee speakers lost to the COVID-19 pandemic that a memorial should be established at the Durbin Feeling Language Center, and hereby establishes and submits the following resolution.


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the establishment of a memorial to honor the Cherokee speakers lost to the COVID-19 pandemic to be located at the Durbin Feeling Language Center in Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation at a duly called meeting on the 12th day of July, 2021, having 17 members present, constituting a quorum, by the vote of 17 yea; 0 nay; 0 abstaining.


Joe Byrd, Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:

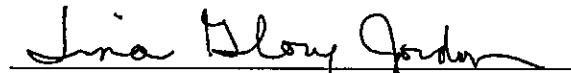

Janees Taylor, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 15th day of July, 2021.



Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:



Tina Glory Jordan, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation