



Council of the Cherokee Nation

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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS AND TO APPOINT THE TRIBAL DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES

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

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation wishes to become a member in good standing of the National Congress of American Indians; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee Nation meets all requirements for Tribal membership, pursuant to Article II, Section B(1) of the Constitution and Article III, Section B(1)(a) of the Bylaws of the National Congress of American Indians; and

WHEREAS, Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief will designate one of the below named forty-nine (49) persons as his representative (alternate) in his absence by a letter stating such.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council of the Cherokee Nation, which is the official governing body of the above named tribal nation, hereby authorizes Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief, to take the necessary actions to place the Nation in membership in the National Congress of American Indians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that Nation funds in the amount of \$30,000, based on the tribal Membership Dues Schedule of the National Congress of American Indians Bylaws, Article III, Section C(2), are authorized to be paid for such Tribal membership in the National Congress of American Indians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the \$30,000 membership fee shall be paid by an equal amount from Executive Branch and Business Enterprises Branch out of existing appropriations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that, based on the Nation’s citizenry of 459,377 persons, the Nation shall have 180 votes, in accordance with Article III, Section B(1) of the National Congress of American Indians Bylaws; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Council of the Cherokee Nation supports and approves the below named persons as representatives; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that pursuant to Article III, § B(1)(b) of the National Congress of American Indians Bylaws, the Nation designates the following named persons as Delegate and Alternate Delegate(s) and instructs them to become individual members in good standing in the National Congress of American Indians in order to fulfill their responsibilities as Official Delegates to the National Congress of American Indians Annual Convention and Executive Council Meeting.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH:

- DELEGATE:** Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief _____
- ALTERNATE:** Bryan Warner, Deputy Chief _____
- ALTERNATE:** Kim Teehee, Delegate to Congress _____

- ALTERNATE:** Shella Bowlin, Secretary of State _____
- ALTERNATE:** Chad Harsha, Attorney General _____
- ALTERNATE:** Corey Bunch, Chief of Staff _____
- ALTERNATE:** Janees Taylor, Treasurer _____
- ALTERNATE:** Shannon Buhl, Marshal _____
- ALTERNATE:** S. Joe Crittenden, Secretary of Veteran Affairs _____
- ALTERNATE:** Christina Justice, Secretary of Natural Resources _____
- ALTERNATE:** Canaan Duncan, Deputy Secretary of State _____
- ALTERNATE:** Taralee Montgomery, Deputy Secretary of State _____
- ALTERNATE:** Tralynna Scott, Special Envoy for the U.S.
Department of Treasury _____
- ALTERNATE:** Joe Byrd, Special Envoy for International Affairs and
Language Preservation _____
- ALTERNATE:** Todd Enlow, Housing Exe. Dir _____
- ALTERNATE:** Stephen Jones, Health Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Diane Kelley, Career Services Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Jennifer Kirby, Human Services Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Anna Knight, Commerce Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Michael Lynn, Transportation & Infrac Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Mark Vance, Education Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Samantha Hendricks, Human Resources Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Julie Hubbard, Communications Exe. Dir. _____
- ALTERNATE:** Ginger Reeves, Executive Real Estate Services Exe.
Dir. _____

ALTERNATE: Howard Paden, Cherokee Language Exe. Dir.

ALTERNATE: David Moore, Facilities Management Exe. Dir.

ALTERNATE: Derrick Vann, Registrar

ALTERNATE: Savannah Smith, Cultural & Community Dir.

ALTERNATE: Sharon Swepston, Tax Commission

ALTERNATE: Janice Purcell, Gaming Commission

ALTERNATE: Tyler Thomas, Cherokee Phoenix Exe. Dir.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH:

ALTERNATE: Mike Shambaugh, Speaker of Council

ALTERNATE: Victoria Vazquez, Deputy Speaker of Council

ALTERNATE: Dora Patzkowski, Secretary of Council

ALTERNATE: Sasha Blackfox-Qualls, Council Member, DIST. 1

ALTERNATE: Candessa Tehee, Council Member, DIST. 2

ALTERNATE: Lisa Hall, Council Member, DIST. 3

ALTERNATE: Mike Dobbins, Council Member, DIST. 4

ALTERNATE: E.O. Smith, Council Member, DIST. 5

ALTERNATE: Daryl Legg, Council Member, DIST. 6

ALTERNATE: Joshua Sam, Council Member, DIST. 7

ALTERNATE: Codey Poindexter, Council Member, DIST. 8

ALTERNATE: Melvina Shotpouch, Council Member, DIST. 10

ALTERNATE: Joe Deere, Council Member, DIST. 13

ALTERNATE: Kevin Easley, Jr., Council Member, DIST. 14

ALTERNATE: Danny Callison, Council Member, DIST. 15

ALTERNATE: Julia Coates, Council Member, at large

ALTERNATE: Johnny Kidwell, Council Member, at large
