



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

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**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 a responsibility to promote the well being of tribal members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation wishes to provide every possible opportunity to Cherokee young people; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program has requested a partnership with Cherokee Nation to provide Big Brother and Big Service mentoring services to Cherokee youth; and,

**WHEREAS**, the funds to operate such a program are available in a set aside for Big Brother and Big Sisters and other national organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, said program may be coordinated through communities or schools; and

**WHEREAS**, there are many Cherokee community organizations within the tribe located in small, rural Cherokee communities that continue to search for opportunities for their children; and

**WHEREAS**, a coordinative mechanism exists within Community Development to facilitate such partnerships between Big Brothers and Big Sisters and Cherokee rural communities;

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Council supports and encourages a partnership between the tribe and Big Brothers and Big Sisters program for work in Cherokee communities to benefit Cherokee youth, and does request that Cherokee tribal youth be added to the program of Big Brothers and Big Sisters; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Council requests full consideration from the Department of Justice in funding the addition of Cherokee youth to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program through monies reserved for that purpose.