



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal  
Council  
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## Legislation Text

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### **A RESOLUTION ELECTING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY SYSTEM AS A REGISTRATION JURISDICTION**

**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**, the Cherokee Nation has a compelling interest in promoting public safety on tribal lands and protecting tribal citizens from violent crime;

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation also has a compelling interest in protecting tribal sovereignty and tribal jurisdiction over tribal lands.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Cherokee Nation hereby elects to participate as and carry out the functions of a registration jurisdiction in the National Sex Offender Registry system as outlined in Section 127 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (United States Public Law 109-248);

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Cherokee Nation intends to seek funds from the Department of Justice under the Sex Offender Management Assistance Program authorized by United States Public Law 109-248, and the Cherokee Nation Marshal and/or Attorney General are hereby so authorized to seek such funds;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Cherokee Nation authorizes the Marshal and/or the Attorney General to enter into any such cooperative agreement(s) that s/he may deem necessary to best implement the requirements of the National Sex Offender Registration and Notification System within the Cherokee Nation jurisdiction;

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Cherokee Nation does not consent to any exercise of state jurisdiction on tribal lands under the National Sex Offender Registry System or United States Public Law 109-248.