



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal  
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## Legislation Text

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### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHEROKEE NATION TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN FISH AND WILDLIFE SOCIETY**

**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, desires to promote the protection and preservation of its fish and wildlife resources through proper management for the use of its members and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society (NAFWS) has been in existence since 1983 and has an established national office to assist the tribes in:

1. Establishing new fish & wildlife programs;
2. Supporting funding for tribal fish & wildlife programs;
3. Educating and training Indian fish & wildlife biologists, managers, technicians & conservation officers.
4. Representing future tribal fish & wildlife needs through the Congressional process; and
5. Promoting tribal management capabilities on a national level through an exchange of information via newsletters, technical bulletins, other pertinent information as well as regional training/workshops; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation fully supports the efforts and activities of the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society as stated above and in the Society's Articles of Incorporation; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to benefit from the above-listed services, a membership in the NAFWS is required;

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that this Council hereby wishes to become a member of the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society and to participate in the services provided by the organization and its staff; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** that this Resolution of Support be submitted to the NAFWS; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** that the Cherokee Nation supports the efforts of the NAFWS to secure funding to maintain the organization and the services that will be provided directly to tribal fish and wildlife programs.