



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Tribal  
Council  
17763 S. Muskogee Ave.  
Tahlequah, OK 74464

## Legislation Text

---

File #: 07-063, Version: 1

---

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO ADMINISTER A GRANT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITIES TO BUILD COMMUNITY BUILDINGS AS SELF-HELP PROJECTS AND CONSTRUCT THE KENWOOD WATER PROJECT**  
**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 responsibility to promote the well being of its citizens;

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation covers a huge geographic area extending over 14 counties in Northeast Oklahoma;

**WHEREAS**, much of the Cherokee population is organized into rural communities that are distinct and unique;

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation is committed to self help projects that assist in building stronger, safer communities in which Cherokee pride and community relationships are strong;

**WHEREAS**, the provision of safe, clean water and a building in which to provide services at the local level are critical to the orderly development, continuance and health of Cherokee communities;

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, through the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program has available competitive monies for community facilities that would allow low and moderate income Cherokees to receive services and strengthen communities;

**WHEREAS**, a match of twenty-five percent of the total cost of the project as leverage is necessary to garner the points set out in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) under "Leveraging Resources";

**WHEREAS**, the Council the efforts of rural communities to work cooperatively with the tribe in determining their needs and services;

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation, through its Community Services Division, has met the requirement for citizen participation through continuing formal and informal consultation with communities as well as extensive posting of a summary of the project that describes the projects and the amounts, and has considered and will continue to consider any resident's views or comments, and will make any modified application widely available to residents.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION**, that the Council commits \$160,000 of tribal monies for matching HUD monies to leverage the project with tribal funds beginning 10/01/2007 for the purpose of the Kenwood water project and construction of two community buildings in low/moderate income

communities and demonstrates its support for the application thereby.