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## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT AND SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR A SECOND CHANCE ACT COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY-BASED ADULT REENTRY PROGRAM UTILIZING MENTORS

**WHEREAS**, the Cherokee Nation since time immemorial has exercised the sovereign rights of selfgovernment 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 Department of Justice is accepting funding applications for programs to assist formerly incarcerated individuals to successfully reenter their communities;

WHEREAS, Career Services has seen a rise in the number of individuals requesting services to assist with their reentry;

**WHEREAS,** the Cherokee Nation is the tribal government with legal authority to implement programs for Cherokee Tribal Citizens and other Native Americans within the Cherokee Nation Tribal Jurisdictional Area;

**WHEREAS,** Career Services has developed the staff and a process to work with formerly incarcerated individuals, but is in desperate need of funding in order to implement a successful program;

**WHEREAS,** Career Services has both the expertise and experience to develop and operate a high quality, successful program and desires to continue providing these services.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION,** that Career Services develop and submit a grant application to the Department of Justice for a Second Chance Act Comprehensive Community-Based Adult Reentry program Utilizing Mentors Program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION,** that Cherokee Nation Career Services has the legal authority to implement such a project within the Cherokee Nation Tribal Jurisdictional Area, including tribal lands.