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A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CHEROKEE NATION'S PROMISE ZONE APPLICATION

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, Promise Zone is a White House initiative, through which the federal government is investing and partnering with tribal communities to create jobs, increase economic activity, improve educational opportunities, leverage private investment, and reduce violent crime;

WHEREAS, Promise Zone supports accountability for clear goals and tracking outcomes so that each partner can work towards improvement and accountability;

WHEREAS, each designated Promise Zone will receive federal staff that will work locally with staff to help communities cut through red tape to use existing funds more effectively and implement economic visions;

WHEREAS, Promise Zones are awarded to communities who have already demonstrated that they are investing in programs and partnerships that are effective in achieving community goals;

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is an effective community partner who tracks our goals and successes; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee Nation is willing to commit to the 10 year Promise Zones program;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION, that the Tribal Council of the Cherokee Nation

hereby supports the effort of the Cherokee Nation to be awarded a Promise Zone designation.