

CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

DATE: _____

RESOLUTION NO.: _____

A resolution to approve the research project entitled "Children of the Great Smoky Mountains" by William Copeland, PHD, Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Vermont.

WHEREAS, the EBCI Medical Institutional Review Board (MIRB) has been assigned the task of reviewing health-related research requests made to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; and

WHEREAS, "The Great Smoky Mountain Study (GSMS) has been following 350 EBCI Children since 1993 and has shown that extra income has improved parenting, children's mental health, and education, and

WHEREAS, Many of those children are now parents, and researchers want to see if their children are also benefiting from these changes, and

WHEREAS, The new study titled "Children of the Great Smoky Mountains Study", will look at how parents are raising their children, how children are growing and learning, and how family life has changed over time, and

WHEREAS, The Medical Institutional Review Board (MIRB) has carefully reviewed this study and has determined that it meets all necessary ethical and research standards to ensure the safety and well-being of participants; and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of the Public Health and Human Services Division (PHHS) has reviewed the request and the MIRB's recommendations and has also given approval; and

WHEREAS, The researcher acknowledges that the EBCI has a non-exclusive license to all information obtained from this research. And all information obtained will be forwarded to the EBCI Secretary of PHHS for review and neither William Copeland nor the Co-Investigators will use this information in any manner not authorized or in violation of Tribal law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in Council assembled in which a quorum is present, that William Copeland, Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Vermont, is hereby granted permission to carry out the above-named research project as described in her MIRB-approved

1 proposal, carrying out all follow-up and reporting as required by the Medical
2 Institutional Review Board.

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4 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are hereby
5 rescinded, and that this resolution shall become effective upon ratification by the
6 Principal Chief.

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9 *Submitted by: Sonya Wachacha, Secretary*
10 *EBCI Public Health and Human Services Division*
11 *on behalf of the EBCI Medical Institutional Review Board*
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