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Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina

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RESOLUTION NO. 549 (2025)

A resolution authorizing the Tribe to purchase Upper Cherokee Community Parcel Nos. 114, 109-B, and 109-C.

WHEREAS, the Thelma Johnson heirs are the possessory holders of Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 114, containing 0.1 acres, more or less, together with all improvements thereon, Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 109-C, containing 1.32 acres, more or less, together with all improvements thereon, and Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 109-B, containing 2.56 acres, more or less; and

WHEREAS, these properties are also known as the "Cherokee Lodge" properties with a street address of 1593 Acquoni Road; and

WHEREAS, the Thelma Johnson heirs are identified as: the heirs of Charles Johnson: April Mellinger, Amy Moxley, Brian Johnson, Verna Johnson; the heirs of Joe Johnson, Jr.: Buddy Johnson, Sharon Owle, Beth Johnson, Janet Lou ("Lou") Johnson; the heir of Alfred Johnson: Lorretta Sequoyah Rosario; Carolyn Riggle; the heir of Steve Johnson: Laney Johnson; Virginia Johnson Shell; the heir of Richard Michael "Tom" Johnson: Doris Johnson; Jean Jones; and Marvin Johnson; and

WHEREAS, the parcels are located adjacent to each other, and the total acreage consists of 3.98 acres, more or less; and

WHEREAS, the properties would be purchased for mixed commercial and governmental use; and

WHEREAS, the owners have offered to sell the above-described parcels to the Tribe and the purchase price is Four Million Dollars and 00/100 cents (\$4,000,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe desires to purchase the properties; and

WHEREAS, the title search report, environmental review, a statement from THPO that the purchase will not cause an adverse impact to any unidentified resources, and a GIS aerial are attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Lands Acquisition Committee approved the purchase at its regularly scheduled meeting on July 14, 2025.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in Council assembled at which a quorum is present, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Principal Chief, on behalf of the Tribe, to enter into an Agreement For Purchase and Sale of Land with Thelma Johnson heirs, the owners of Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 114, containing 0.1 acres, more or less,

1 together with all improvements thereon, Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No.
2 109-C, containing 1.32 acres, more or less, together with all improvements thereon,
3 and Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 109-B, containing 2.56 acres, more or
4 less, for the purchase price of Four Million Dollars and 00/100 cents
5 (\$4,000,000.00) upon terms agreeable by the Tribe and sellers.
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians approves the cost for
8 associated due diligence and closing costs.
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Four Million Dollars and 00/100 cents (\$4,000,000.00)
11 purchase price, due diligence, and closing costs shall come from the fund balance
12 of _____.
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14 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all resolutions that are inconsistent with this resolution are
15 rescinded, and that this resolution shall become effective when ratified by the
16 Principal Chief.
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18 *Submitted by the Lands Acquisition Committee*