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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (2025)

WHEREAS, White Bison, INC., WB, is international grassroots, non-profit organization that was founded in 1988, and,

WHEREAS, over the past 36 years, under the guidance of a Council of Elders, WB has conducted multiple walks and ceremonies across the United States of America to create and sustain a Wellbriety Movement that will provide culturally based healing to the next seven generations of indigenous people, and,

WHEREAS, in 2009 the Wellbriety Council of Elders, during the Journey to Forgiveness, instructed Don Coyhis that the time would come to conduct a 100 Drums Ceremony that would cause a Mother Earth reset, restoring harmony and balance to all her inhabitants, sending a great healing amongst all peoples and a spiritual shift that would transcend this Turtle Island. 2025 has been determined to be that time, and,

WHEREAS, the 100 Drums Ceremony is a two day outdoor traditional ceremony of Indigenous 1<sup>st</sup> Nations People from around the world, and,

WHEREAS, the EBCI and Qualla Boundary have been selected to host the 100 Drums Ceremony in September of 2025 and will be organized and coordinated by Marian Tuck, the Conference and Event Planner for White Bison, INC., the ECO, the Eastern Cherokee Organization and Coordinator Lisa Montelongo and Mary Crowe, the Indigenous Just Transition Organizer for the Indigenous Environmental Network.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Annual Council assembled at which a quorum is present that the Tribal Council and Principal Chief Michell Hicks and Vice Chief Alan "B" Ensley give full and total support for the 100 Drums Ceremony to be held in September 27-28, 2025.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Vice Chief shall carry out the intent of this resolution and that this resolution shall be ratified upon signature of the Principal Chief

Submitted by: Mary Crowe, Organizer Indigenous Just Transition Indigenous Environmental Network, and Lisa Montelongo, Coordinator, Eastern Cherokee Organization, and Marian Tuck, conference and Event Planner, White Bison, INC.