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**CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA**

Date

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2025)

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Tribal Foods Distribution Program continues to assist Tribal members in achieving and maintaining their desired quality of life by providing a high caliber community focused health system while serving as good stewards of Tribal resources entrusted to us; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Foods Distribution Program will continue to provide food distribution; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Foods Distribution Program has identified a funding opportunity from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) grant which will provide USDA approved foods to low-income households including the elderly residing on Indian reservations, or designated areas nearby; and

WHEREAS, no personnel costs will be covered by this grant; and

WHEREAS, there is no grant match required.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in Council assembled and at which a quorum is present, that the EBCI Tribal Foods Distribution Program is authorized to apply for and accept funds from the USDA in the estimated amount of \$97,000 for FY26-27.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Principal Chief is authorized to carry out the intent of this resolution, which shall remain in effect until implemented or rescinded.

Submitted by Brandi Claxton, Interim Secretary of Treasury, on behalf of the EBCI Tribal Foods Distribution Program