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CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

Date

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2025)

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Kituwah Preservation and Education Program (KPEP) is responsible for coordinating and facilitating Cherokee language activities and projects to maintain the language and increase fluency among Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Cherokee speaking population has reached a critical state and KPEP has identified a funding opportunity through the Cherokee Preservation Foundation for cultural preservation and language revitalization; and

WHEREAS, the funding will be used towards Speaker contracts and language objectives; and

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

WHEREAS, there is a grant match required in the estimated amount of \$375,000.

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 Kituwah Preservation & Education Program is authorized to apply for and accept funds from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation in the estimated amount of \$375,000 for a total project amount of \$750,000 for FY26-29.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the EBCI will contribute a grant match in the estimated amount of \$375,000 from in-kind sources.

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Chief is authorized to carry out the intent of this resolution, which shall remain in effect until implemented or rescinded.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 Kituwah Preservation and Education Program