

CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

DATE

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2025)

A resolution requesting that the Senior Miss Cherokee title be established as part of the official Tribal Royalty and placed under the EBCI Pageant Board with a budget

WHEREAS, the EBCI sponsored the Senior Miss Cherokee Pageant on October 3, 2024 during Elders Day at the Cherokee Indian Fair, and,

WHEREAS, there were 4 contestants, and a winner was chosen and presented a sash with "Senior Miss Cherokee" on it and a trophy, and,

WHEREAS, the new Senior Miss Cherokee was not awarded a crown, a budget, nor a Tribal Sponsor, and,

WHEREAS, in order for to be on par with the other royalty; ie, Miss Cherokee, Teen Miss Cherokee, Junior Miss Cherokee and Little Miss Cherokee there should be a crown awarded, a sponsor assigned and a budget and,

WHEREAS, the EBCI already has an established pageant board that has a budget for and is responsible for managing the other established Tribal Royalty, and,

WHEREAS, it is the consensus of other potential Senior Miss Cherokee pageant winners and others in the community that any Senior Miss Cherokee pageant winner should be awarded a crown, provided a budget for travel and apparel, and placed under the purview of the EBCI Pageant Board, and,

WHEREAS, the current Senior Miss Cherokee is asking for a budget of \$10,000, to cover a crown, and reimbursement for travel and apparel expenses already incurred, and upcoming expenses

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 establish the Senior Miss Cherokee Pageant as part of the official Tribal Royalty, place it under the EBCI Pageant Board and grant a budget of \$10,000 to further the activities, travel, clothing and a crown of this years (2024-2025) Senior Miss Cherokee, and all upcoming Senior Miss Cherokees, and that this \$10,000 be an ongoing award yearly

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47 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Principal Chief is authorized to carry out the intent
48 of this resolution, which shall remain in effect until rescinded and this
49 resolution shall become effective upon ratification of the Principal Chief

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53 *Submitted by : Kimlyn Sneed Lambert, Senior Miss Cherokee 2024-2025*