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RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2022)

WHEREAS, Jesse James Crowe was the possessory holder of Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 21-A, containing 7.687 acres, and Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 286, containing 0.513 acres, and transferred the parcels to James Arnold Cooper and Candler Ray Cooper in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council enacted Resolution No. 273 (2022) on May 5, 2022, authorizing the Tribe to purchase the parcels, along with several others, from the Cooper family, and the Tribal Business Committee approved the transfer of the two parcels from the Cooper family to the Tribe on July 25, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the parcels had long been owned by members of the family of Jesse Crowe and has historically been considered as their family property; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Crowe's son, Frank Crowe, a non-enrolled member of the Tribe, has been attempting to purchase the parcels for Melina Gallegos, the granddaughter of Jesse James Crowe and an enrolled member of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the family is now requesting that the Tribe sell Parcel Nos. 21-A and 286 to Melina Gallegos so that she may have a home of her own, and so that the family may resume ownership of the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Council Assembled, at which a quorum is present that present, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Principal Chief, on behalf of the Tribe, to enter into an agreement to sell the property identified in this resolution, with Melina Gallegos (enrolled), for fair market value.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Business Committee and the Tribal Realty Services are hereby authorized to carry out the intent of this resolution upon receipt from Tribal Finance of payment for the possessory holdings named in this resolution.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective when ratified by the Principal Chief.

Submitted By: Angie Hull, Enrolled Member of the EBCI.