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**Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina**

Date

Resolution No. _____ (2023)

WHEREAS, The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Division, 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, PHHS, Tribal Foods Distribution Program will be providing food distribution in three different methods; and

WHEREAS, PHHS has identified a funding source from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR); the funding source provides USDA foods to low-income households, including the elderly, living on Indian reservations, and to Native American families residing in designated areas near reservations; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Budget allows for \$394,496.00 of the total budget of \$721,309 in salaries and to continue to receive these funds an application is required once the grant project is completed; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Foods Distribution Program is required to commit 20% of the total budget amount, totaling \$144,262, as General Fund cash match;

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 Foods Distribution Program of the PHHS Division, be authorized to apply and accept funds from the USDA-FDPIR for FY23.

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Indians is authorized to carry out the intent of this resolution, which shall remain in effect until implemented or rescinded.

Submitted by: Renee Gurtler, Grants Manager, on behalf of the Tribal Foods Distribution Program (PHHS Division).