

Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina

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Date

RESOLUTION NO. **258**(2016)

WHEREAS, A substantial number of tribal members are struggling to make ends meet on a month to month basis; and

WHEREAS, if tribal members who struggle financially had access to an emergency advancement of their bi-annual per capita distribution their quality of life would greatly improve; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's Finance Department has the capacity to develop a system to account for emergency advancements of per capita should such a program expansion be authorized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Tribal Council Assembled, at which a quorum is present that the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians does hereby authorize the Finance Department to develop a system to support an individual's application to receive emergency funds up to the amount of \$500.00 per month except for the months of June and December of each year and subject to the policies and procedures developed by the Finance Department and consistent with tribal laws or court orders for garnishments of per capita.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such advancements shall be adjusted against the individual's bi-annual per capita distributions.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are rescinded, and that this resolution shall become effective when ratified by the Principal Chief.

Submitted by: Patrick Lambert, Principal Chief