

**CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA**

Date: _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2018)

WHEREAS, Cherokee Code (C.C.) Section 117-50(a) states that "Any lobbyist hired by Tribal government, Tribal entities or Tribal organizations must do so by way of approval through a resolution of Tribal Council."

WHEREAS, the Tribe has for many years contracted with Wilson K. Pipestem and his company, Ietan Consulting, LLC, to lobby the U.S. Congress and federal agencies on matters important to the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pipestem and Ietan Consulting, LLC, continue to provide valuable and responsive service to the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's prior contract with Mr. Pipestem and Ietan Consulting, LLC, has expired; and

WHEREAS, a disruption in service would be detrimental to the Tribe's interests; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe desires to enter a new contract with Mr. Pipestem and Ietan Consulting, LLC, on substantially the same terms as the prior contract, to expire at the end of the current Tribal fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting held on January 9, 2018, the Tribe's Business Committee approved entering the contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians assembled, at which a quorum is present, hereby approves entry of a contract with Wilson K. Pipestem and Ietan Consulting, LLC, upon substantially the same terms as the immediately preceding contract with that firm, and to expire at the end of the current Tribal fiscal year unless renewed before it expires.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all resolutions that are inconsistent with this resolution are rescinded, and that this resolution shall become effective when ratified by the Principal Chief.

Submitted by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed