

**Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina**

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (2018)

WHEREAS, the safety and wellbeing of the Tribal Community is a high priority to the Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the provision of a public transit system supports this objective; and,

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering all federal and/or state programs related to public transportation, and grants the department authority to do all things required in applicable federal and/or state legislation to properly administer the public transportation programs within the state of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 136-44.27 established the Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program; and funds will be used for transportation related expenditures as specified in the FY 2018-2019 Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP)/Rural General Public (RGP) Transportation Project Description application; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will include ROAP funds received and expended in its annual independent audit on the schedule of federal and state financial assistance. Funds passed through to other agencies will be identified as such.

This is to certify that the following statements are true and accurate:

Rural General Public Program

1. The funds will be used in a manner consistent with the Rural General Public Transportation Project Description.
2. The funds will not be used to provide human service trips.

WHEREAS, the Award does not cover any salaries and there are no further requirements from the grantee once the grant project is completed; and,

WHEREAS, the NCDOT ROAP/RGP amount requested is \$44,771 with a 10% local match requirement of \$4,477. The local match will be paid for from program income generated from passenger fares.

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 EBCI Transit Program be authorized to submit an application package to The NCDOT ROAP/RGP up to the amount of \$44,771 which will be used to provide eligible services for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

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Band of Cherokee Indians carry out the intent of this resolution, which shall remain in effect until implemented or rescinded.

Submitted by: Grants Compliance Office on behalf of the EBCI Transit Program