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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ (2018)

WHEREAS, Martha Junaluska Taylor, (deceased October 23, 2014), enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians left a Last Will and Testament, dated October 19, 1971, and

WHEREAS, Lowen Truman Taylor has qualified as the Executor of the estate of Martha Junaluska Taylor in Cherokee Court Estate File No. 14-092; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Realty Office has examined the deceased's Will, the records on file regarding the deceased's possessory holding in Tribal trust land, and other documents, and has written this resolution to provide for the distribution of the deceased's possessory holding to her eligible heir; and

WHEREAS, the deceased's will states that Birdtown Community Parcel No. 80, where her mutual-help house is located, be distributed to her daughter, Betsy Lou Taylor; and

WHEREAS, the deceased transferred out most of Parcel No. 80 and kept for herself Birdtown Community Parcel No. 136 in order to participate in the mutual-help housing program, and it is the only asset in the estate; and

WHEREAS, the will states that the deceased had already provided for her other children during her lifetime and this is the reason the deceased left the remainder of her estate to Betsy Lou Taylor; and

WHEREAS, the Executor requests Tribal Council to confirm the Last Will and Testament of Martha Junaluska Taylor, to recognize her eligible heir under Tribal law, and to provide for the distribution of her possessory holding to her eligible heir.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Council Assembled, at which a quorum is present that the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians does hereby confirm the Last Will and Testament of Martha Junaluska Taylor dated October 19, 1971, for purposes of distribution of the deceased's possessory holding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that **Birdtown Community Parcel No. 136**, containing 0.561 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon, be assigned to Betsy Lou Taylor (enrolled).

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Tribal Business Committee and the Tribal Realty Services are hereby authorized to carry out the intent of this resolution.

*Submitted by: Tribal Realty Services.*