

CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

Resolution No. _____ 2019

- WHEREAS: Article 1 Section 2 of the United States constitution mandates a census to be conducted every 10 years for the purpose of reapportionment of the House of Representative.
- WHEREAS: Census Bureau data is also used to distribute more than \$675 billion in federal funds annually to State, County, and Tribal government, which many EBCI tribal programs rely heavily on
- WHEREAS: Decennial Census data is also used to redraw the boundaries of congressional and state legislative districts to account for population shifts ,which in turn effects the EBCI relationships with regional and state leadership.
- WHEREAS: Indian County has historically been undercounted in the US Census and EBCI is projected to have over 25% of its residences did not participate in the Census self-response, therefore it is vital to promote the 2020 Census to EBCI citizens and residents.
- WHEREAS: the Office of the Principal Chief has established the Cherokee Complete Count Committee as a part of the US Census Bureau's Community Partnership and Engagement Program to support the 2020 Census goal to count everyone once, only once, and in the right place.
- WHEREAS: the Cherokee Complete Count Committee has developed an outreach strategy to educate, encourage, and engage the EBCI community on the 2020 Census
- WHEREAS: the success of the outreach strategy will be dependent upon local trusted voices supporting the committee's efforts
- 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 hereby support the Cherokee Complete Count Committee and provide \$40,000 to implement the Cherokee CCC outreach strategy.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the financial support awarded to the Cherokee Complete Count Committee will be held by The Sequoyah Fund who will oversee the management of the 2020 Census tribal funds;
- BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- SUBMITTED BY: 2020 Census Cherokee Complete Count Committee
Tammy Jackson, Chairman