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CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

Date: NOV 14 2019

RESOLUTION NO.: 53 (2019)

*A resolution requesting past gaming distributions
pursuant to Cherokee Code Section 16C-4.*

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is duly authorized to establish and regulate membership and the rights and benefits thereto under its sovereign powers as a federally recognized Indian Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee Code Chapter 16C of the Cherokee Code sets out the membership and eligibility criteria for the Tribe's Gaming Revenue Allocation Plan; and

WHEREAS, C.C. 16C-4(e)(5) provides the conditions under which an enrolled member may receive past gaming distribution bonuses after the 60-day time limit, including the enrolled member being adopted as an infant; and

WHEREAS, Denise Marie Ring was born on May 26, 1961 as Barbara Lucille Littlejohn. An application for membership was submitted on her behalf on April 4, 1962. She was enrolled as an infant on January 16, 1963 and was given enrollment number R03814; and

WHEREAS, also while an infant, Ms. Ring was adopted on November 28, 1962 by order of the District Court of Polk County, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ring lived her entire childhood in Ankeny, Iowa and thereafter moved to Phoenix, Arizona in 1981; to Reno, Nevada in 1988; to Las Vegas, Nevada 1995; and back to Reno, Nevada in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ring is now a Nevada state licensed optician, has a passion for helping animals, and warmly and fondly remembers her childhood and family; and

WHEREAS, after many years Ms. Ring discovered the details of her Cherokee heritage and contacted the Enrollment Office on July 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, until she found the adoption paperwork in her adoptive parents' belongings, she was unaware of her membership in the Tribe and the extent of her Cherokee ancestry; and

WHEREAS, she has provided the same personal information to the Tribe that is required of all other recipients of per capita distributions; and

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48 WHEREAS, Ms. Ring is desirous to learn more about her Tribal membership and receive any
49 missed per capita distributions for which she is eligible under C.C. 16C-4(e)(5);
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52 WHEREAS, Ms. Ring is currently living and eligible to receive per capita distributions; and
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54 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee
55 Indians, in council assembled, at which a quorum is present, that it is declared that
56 Denise Ring is eligible to receive per capita distributions and shall receive payment
57 for missed distributions up to the amount of \$50,000.00 in accordance with
58 Cherokee Code Section 16C-4.
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60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Principal Chief is authorized to carry out this resolution
61 during such time that it is effective.
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63 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are rescinded,
64 and this resolution shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief.
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67 *Respectfully submitted by Denise M. Ring*

The attached Resolution/Ordinance No. 53_dated NOVEMBER 14,2019 was

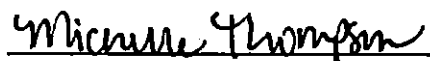
PASSED (X)

KILLED ()

and ratified in open Council on NOVEMBER 14, 2019 by 93 voting for the act
and 0 members voting against it as follows:

VOTE	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Richard French	X			
Perry Shell				X
Boyd Owle	X			
Bucky Brown	X			
Tom Wahnetah	X			
David Wolfe	X			
Adam Wachacha	X			
Bo Crowe	X			
Chelsea Saunooke	X			
Albert Rose	X			
Dike Sneed	X			
Tommye Saunooke	X			
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TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN


ENGLISH CLERK


PRINCIPAL CHIEF

APPROVED (x) VETOED ()

VETO UPHELD () VETO DENIED ()

DATE: 11/26/19

I hereby certify that the foregoing act of the Council was duly:

PASSED ()

KILLED ()

and ratified in open Council after the same has been interpreted by the Official Interpreter and
has been fully and freely discussed.

INTERPRETED ()

OMITTED ()