

Cherokee Council House Cherokee, North Carolina JAN 0 9 2020

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Resolution No. <u>95</u> (2019)

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) was established to implement and enforce the Tribal Business Preference Law, codified at Chapter 92 et seq., and the Wages/Employment Laws, codified at Chapter 95 et. seq.; and
- WHEREAS, the goal of the program is to ensure that all economic entities operating and every private employer engaging within the exterior boundaries and territory of the Tribe provide an employment opportunity or Indian preference in employment to citizens of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, other federally recognized tribes, and spouses of Indians; and
- WHEREAS, the EBCI Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for 2018 2022, states that "[a]mong the working-age population (16 years or older) on the Qualla Boundary, approximately <u>53% were in the labor force</u>, as compared to 65% throughout the state, according to recent Census data. The <u>unemployment rate</u> in 2016 averaged 5.2% on the Qualla Boundary, which was relatively comparable to 4.9% for North Carolina" describing the Tribes Employment background; and
- WHEREAS, the employment rate is one of the economic indicators that economists examine to help understand the state of the economy and are used as a measure of the extent to which available labor resources (people available to work) are being used; and
- WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Employment Rights Office has developed a 2020 Employment Survey that will provide a better understanding about the employment rate and opportunities on the Qualla Boundary. This data will assist us in developing tools and resources that support the development of our tribal workforce, with the intent of positively impacting the local economy.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in annual council assembled, that the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) is authorized to issue and conduct the 2020 Employment Survey, attached hereto.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that deployment of the 2020 Employment Survey will be presented to all employers, on the tribal trust lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the TERO will compile the data and report it to Tribal leadership.
- BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief.

Submitted By: EBCI Tribal Employment Rights Office

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