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Cherokee Council House  
Cherokee, North Carolina

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ORDINANCE NO. 307 (2012)

WHEREAS, there is a growing concern over the increased populations of coyotes within the tribal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, this overpopulation has created a public nuisance that must be addressed through proper and aggressive wildlife maintenance; and

WHEREAS, to better maintain and manage this predatory breed, the implementation of public education, no closed hunting season, and a bounty would assist in reducing this overpopulation; and

WHEREAS, to address this need, Chapter 113 of the Cherokee Code should be amended to allow for a bounty and no closed season on the hunting of coyote.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Tribal Council Assembled, at which a quorum is present that the Cherokee Code is amended to read as follows:

## Chapter 113 HUNTING AND FISHING

### Sec. 113-9. - Small game and other species.

- (a) There shall be an open season and no bag limit on the hunting of crow.
- (b) The season for hunting groundhog shall be from September 1 through February 28, with a bag limit of five and a season limit of 50.
- (c) The season for hunting of grouse shall be from October 1 through February 28 with a daily bag limit of three, a possession limit of six and a season limit of 30.
- (d)

The season for hunting or box trapping of rabbit shall be from November 19 through January 31 with a daily bag limit of five, a possession limit of ten and season limit of 75.

(e)

The season for hunting squirrel shall be from October 1 through January 1 with a daily bag limit of eight, a possession limit of 16 and a season limit of 75.

(f)

The season for hunting of fox, raccoon, opossum, and coyote with dogs shall be from September 1 through the last day of February.

(g)

There shall be no closed season on hunting of wild boar or coyote. There shall be no limit on wild boar or coyote.

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Hunting of Coyote

(1) No trapping, just shot allowed

(2) Animal can be retained by hunter for the sale of its pelt

(3) Bounty for the reduction of coyotes allowed

a. To receive bounty payment, hunter must be an EBCI enrolled tribal member

b. Animal must be inspected and marked by tribe

c. Bounty award not to exceed \$25.00 per coyote

d. Number of bounties awarded may be limited due to available funding

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with this ordinance are rescinded, and this ordinance shall become effective when ratified by the Principal Chief.

*Submitted by: the Office of the Attorney General for the  
Department of Fish and Wildlife Management*