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Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina

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ORDINANCE NO. 409(2013)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and Chiefs of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are elected to represent our Tribe, and work for the enrolled members, and consider the health and welfare of each member and the Band as a whole; and,

WHEREAS, there are times when Tribal positions on boards, commissions and committees come open for reappointment; and,

WHEREAS, Tribal Council has gotten into a dangerous and unprofessional habit of selecting Tribal Members for these opportunities by "secret voting" people into these positions on TV in front of all of us; and,

WHEREAS, this practice is brazen, deceitful and insults our Tribal Members and proves that these appointments are politically motivated; and,

WHEREAS, Tribal Council Members should be able to publicly stand behind the person they are supporting by voting openly and on camera.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Council assembled at which a quorum is present that the Tribal Council will vote by a show of hands when selecting someone for any Tribal committee, board, and commission.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that secret voting of any form or fashion will not be allowed for any issue that will affect the welfare of this Nation.

Submitted by: Teresa McCoy