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Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina

NOV 04 2021

Date

Resolution No. 29 (2021)

- WHEREAS, The American Legion Auxiliary's mission is "In the spirit of service, not self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support the American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security." Mary Wachacha, *American Legion Auxiliary – What is the Auxiliary?* CHEROKEE ONE FEATHER, July 24, 2019.
- WHEREAS, Patsy Everhart Ledford embodies the Auxiliary's mission statement beginning with educating our citizens by working seventeen (17) years at the Cherokee High School; and,
- WHEREAS, During her time at the high school, Mrs. Ledford taught Physical Education and coached cheerleading, softball, volleyball, and assisted with track and football; and,
- WHEREAS, She displayed her commitment to the student's safety by giving a ride home after late night games when they did not have a way home.
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Ledford also embodies the Auxiliary's mission statement by advocating for veterans and being a good citizen with her work as the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Unit 143 Auxiliary President; and,
- WHEREAS, with her leadership, the Auxiliary adopted the Veterans Medical Foster Care Program which consists of fifteen (15) veterans who don't have family. The Auxiliary Program sends monthly gift bags to the veterans; and,
- WHEREAS, The Auxiliary also sends eight hundred (800) bottles of water along with snacks and personal hygiene products to the Charles George VA Hospital when the items are needed; and,
- WHEREAS, not only is Mrs. Ledford the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Unit 143 Auxiliary President but also the District 15 President. District 15 ranges from Hendersonville to Murphy containing five hundred (500) members; and,

WHEREAS, her duties include assisting sister auxiliary units build membership, assisting with fundraising ideas, guidance for other unit presidents, and visiting units upon request; and,

WHEREAS, her District 15 President goal is to unify the western units by working together and having a strong voice in the state conference.

WHEREAS, the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Unit 143 Auxiliary members feel it fitting and appropriate that Mrs. Patsy Everhart Ledford deserves the distinguished and well-earned title of honorary member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED in annual Council assembled at which a quorum is present that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians recognize Mrs. Patsy Everhart Ledford as an honorary member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be effective upon ratification.

Submitted by: *Gail Parker*, former student of Patsy's supported by the American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 and the American Legion Auxiliary Steve Youngdeer Unit 143

The attached Resolution/Ordinance No. 29 dated NOVEMBER 04, 2021 was:

PASSED (X)

KILLED ()

and ratified in open Council on NOVEMBER 04, 2021 by 100 voting for the act and 0 members voting against it as follows:

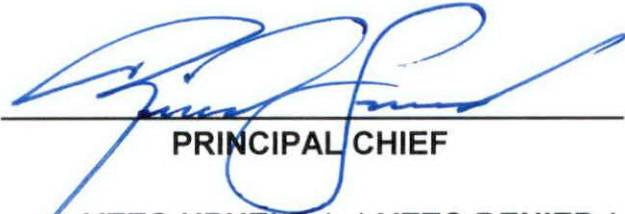
VOTE	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Richard French	X			
Teresa McCoy	X			
Boyd Owle	X			
Bucky Brown	X			
TW Saunooke	X			
David Wolfe	X			
Adam Wachacha	X			
Bo Crowe	X			
Bill Taylor	X			
Albert Rose	X			
Dike Sneed	X			
Tommye Saunooke	X			
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TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN



ENGLISH CLERK



PRINCIPAL CHIEF

VETO UPHELD () VETO DENIED ()

APPROVED () VETOED ()

DATE: 11/29/21

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 ()