United States Department of the Interior



BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS Cherokee Agency Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

Michell Hicks, Principal Chief Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians P.O. Box 455 88 Council House Loop Cherokee, NC 28719

Dear Chief Hicks:

Attached is signed Tribal Council Resolution/Ordinance No. <u>529</u> introduced on <u>October 27, 2010</u> and **Passed** on <u>November 4, 2010</u>. Should you have any questions regarding this matter please contact me at (828) 497-9131 extension 227.

Sincerely,

Superintendent

TABLED AMENDED PASSED NOV: 0 4 2010

Cherokee Council House Qualla Boundary Cherokee, North Carolina OCT 27 2010

Date:

RESOLUTION 529 (2010)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council and the Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians have on very special occasions recognized those that have contributed significantly, as evidenced by their work, to the well being and history of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the preservation of the heritage, culture, and history of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is of the utmost importance to our youth and seniors as we look to the future; and

WHEREAS, during the 1970's, the Tellico Dam was being constructed that would flood many of the Cherokee Over Hill Village sites including Tenasi, the Village from which Tennessee gets its name; Chota, the Over Hill Sacred Capitol of the Cherokee; and Tuskegee, the little village adjacent to Fort Loudon where Sequoyah was born; and

WHEREAS, during this troubled time for the Cherokee, there was a young man by the name of Maxwell D. Ramsey, employed by the Tennessee Valley Authority, who had a very special place in his heart for the Cherokee People; and

WHEREAS, Max was concerned that the history of the Over Hill Cherokee, and In particular the recognition of Sequoyah's gift of a written language to his people, not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, through Max Ramsey's guidance and advice, the Tennessee Valley Authority was convinced to provide 47 acres of land and the necessary funds to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to construct a memorial museum to Sequoyah near his birthplace of Tuskegee at Vonore, Tennessee; and

WHERASE, due to Max's many talents, leadership, and devotion to the Cherokee People, upon his retirement from TVA, he was very quickly elected as Chairman of the Tennessee Board of Friends of Seqyoyah, and has provided over 20 years of devoted, non-compensated service, in seeing to the management details of the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum and to ensuring that the story of the Over Hill Cherokee and Sequoyah are accurately and professionally portrayed to the public and the Cherokee people; and

WHEREAS, Max Ramsey never tires and his service and support in many areas of concern to the Cherokee continues today.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that it is with great pride that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in annual council assembled, bestows upon Maxwell D. Ramsey the status of "Honorary Member Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians" this day of Oct 27, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that from this day forward Max will be recognized by his Cherokee Name (Micro Max).

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Principal Chief Michelle Hicks, Vice Chief Larry Blythe, and Chairman of Tribal Council Jim Owle shall make a personal presentation of this honorary membership to Maxwell D. Ramsy.

Submited:

Principal Chief Michelle Hicks Councilman Perry Shell Councilman Diamond Brown Director Museum of Cherokee Indians Ken Blankenship Member Tennessee Board Friends of Sequoyah Bob Blankenship

Amendments:

- 1. Seventh paragraph, strike "WHEREASE" and replace with "WHEREAS."
- 2. Strike the date Oct. 27, 2010 from the "NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED" paragraph and replace with November 4, 2010.
- 3. Strike "Micro Max" from the "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED" paragraph, and insert "Friend of Sequoyah" in the resolution blank.
- 4. Strike "Ramsy" and replace with "Ramsey" in the "BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED" paragraph.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians GWYA SCLHAY

THIS DOCUMENT CERTIFIES

Maxwell D. Ramsey

has been designated as an

Honorary Member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and has been given the name

"Friend of Sequoyah"

on this Fourth day of November, Two Thousand and Ten Cherokee Council House, Qualla Boundary, Cherokee, No.th Carolina This action approved by the Tribal Council

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Larry Blythe, Vice Chief

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The attached Resolution/Ordinance No. <u>529</u> dated <u>October 27, 2010</u> was: **PASSED (X)**

KILLED (

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and ratified in open Council on <u>November 4, 2010</u> by <u>82</u> voting for the act and <u>0</u> members voting against it as follows:

VOTE	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	TABLE
Teresa McCoy	Х			~	
Perry Shell	Х				
Gene Crowe	Х				
Mike Parker				Х	
David Wolfe	Х				
Alan Ensley	Х				
Jim Owle	Х				
Diamond Brown	Х				
Adam Wachacha	Х				
Bill Taylor	Х				
Terri Henry		7		Х	
Tommye Saunooke	Х				
Total:	82	0	0	18	0

TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

PRINCIPAL CHIEF

APPROVED ()

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VETO UPHELD () VETO DENIED ()

DATE: 11-23-10

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

PASSED ()

KILLED ()

and ratified by Council Chairperson, Clerk, and Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Band of Indians. Superintendent, Cherokee Indian Agency.

OMITTED ()

INTERPRETED ()