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CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

OCT 12 2026

DATE

RESOLUTION NO. 320 (2026)

WHEREAS, the members of the Constitution Convention have worked diligently toward the development of a draft Constitution for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and,

WHEREAS, despite the dedication and commitment of several Convention Representatives, the Convention has faced ongoing challenges that have significantly hindered the ability to fulfill its responsibilities, and,

WHEREAS, due to insufficient attendance and the repeated inability to establish a quorum at scheduled meetings, the Convention has been unable to conduct official business as required, and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with Convention policies, meetings have been open to enrolled members to provide opportunities for public comment, questions, and concerns, unfortunately, public participation has remained consistently low throughout the process

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Council assembled at which a quorum is present that regarding these circumstances that Tribal Council rescinds Resolution 627 (2023) which established the Constitution Convention

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Resolution 13 (2023) shall also be rescinded which amended the Conventions structure to include representation from Sgadugi

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective upon ratification of the Principal Chief

Submitted by: Nancy Pheasant, Constitution Chairperson

Nancy Pheasant,
Constitution Convention Chairperson
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August 27, 2026,

To: Tribal Council
Subject: Request to Rescind Resolutions 627 (2023) and ¹³~~12~~ (2023)

Dear Tribal Council Members,

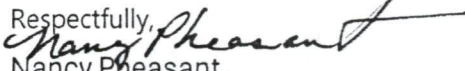
The members of the Constitution Convention have worked diligently toward the development of a draft Constitution for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Despite the dedication and commitment of several Convention representatives, the Convention has faced ongoing challenges that have significantly hindered its ability to fulfill its responsibilities.

Due to insufficient attendance and the repeated inability to establish a quorum at scheduled meetings, the Convention has been unable to conduct official business as required. In accordance with Convention policies, meetings have been open to enrolled EBCI members to provide opportunities for public comment, questions, and concerns. Unfortunately, public participation has remained consistently low throughout the process.

Given these circumstances, I respectfully request that Tribal Council consider rescinding Resolution 627 (2023), which established the Constitution Convention, as well as Resolution ¹³~~12~~ (2023), which amended the Convention's structure to include representation from Sgadugi.

A core group of representatives has remained actively engaged and has consistently attended meetings throughout the Convention process. Considering the limited timeframe remaining before the 2027 General Election, it is my belief that the most effective path forward would be to dissolve the Convention and remove the restrictive procedural requirements that have impeded progress. This would allow the dedicated core group to continue its work on completing the proposed Constitution and preparing a final document for submission to Tribal Council for consideration and, ultimately, a referendum vote by the people.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. I appreciate your attention to this matter and your continued commitment to advancing the constitutional process for the benefit of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Respectfully,

Nancy Pheasant,
Constitution Chairperson

AMENDED PASSED

Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina

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Resolution No. 13 (2023)

WHEREAS, at the recent bi-monthly meeting, of which a quorum was present, the officers of the Cherokee Community Club Council voted to submit an amendment to Resolution 627(2023); and

WHEREAS, this amendment would include three of the original members of the Sgadugi Constitution Committee; and

WHEREAS, those members are Lloyd Arneach, Carmaleta Monteith and Peggy Hill; and

WHEREAS, this amendment is based on the dedication and commitment these three individuals have demonstrated to the development of a constitution for our Tribal Members.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Annual Council assembled at which a quorum is present that one or more constitutional conventions shall be held in the future under rules and procedures to be developed by an equal number of delegates, not to exceed two delegates plus an alternate, from and for the Legislative Branch, from the Executive Branch, from and for the Judicial Branch, from and for the Cherokee Community Club Council, and from and for Tribal member young adults who are 18-25 years of age and from and for the Sgadugi Constitution Committee (Lloyd Arneach, Carmaleta Monteith and alternate Peggy Hill)

Submitted by: Cherokee Community Club Council

AMENDED
PASSED

OCT 16 2023

CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA
October 16, 2023

AMENDMENT to Resolution No. 13 (2023) :

Throughout the resolution, after the name, "Lloyd Arneach," insert, "Jr." So that it reads, "Lloyd Arneach, Jr."



Cherokee Community Club Council
PO Box 2077
Cherokee, NC 28719

October 16, 2023

Mr. Mike Parker, Tribal Chairman
Tribal Council
Cherokee, NC 28719

Chairman Parker,

At the recent bi-monthly meeting, of which a quorum was present, the officers of Cherokee Community Club Council voted to submit an amendment to Resolution 627 passed in July of this year. This amendment would include three of the original members of the Sgadugi Constitution Committee. Those members are Lloyd Arneach, Carmaleta Monteith and Peggy Hill. This amendment is based on the dedication and commitment these three individuals have demonstrated to the development of a constitution for our tribal members.

Therefore, we as officers of Cherokee Community Club Council feel they should have a seat on the Constitution Delegation and are submitting this request. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mr. Nathaniel "Bunsey" Crowe, Chairperson of the
Cherokee Community Club Council

Cherokee Council House
Cherokee, North Carolina
October 16, 2023

Amendment sheet for Res. No. 627 (2023)

- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that one or more constitutional conventions shall be held in the future under rules and procedures to be developed by an equal number of delegates, not to exceed two delegates plus an alternate, from and for the Legislative branch, from the Executive branch, from and for the Judicial branch, from and for the Cherokee Community Club Council, and from and for Tribal member young adults who are 18-25 years of age and from and for the Sgadugi Constitution Committee (Lloyd Arneach, Carmaleta Monteith and alternate Peggy Hill.)

Submitted by Cherokee Community Club Council

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CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE NORTH CAROLINA

DATE: JUL 13 2023

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7 RESOLUTION NO.: 627 (2023)

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9 *A resolution to rescind three resolutions authorizing referendums to amend or change Tribal*
10 *governing documents, establishing a constitutional convention, and designating delegates to*
11 *revise the proposed Tribal Constitution as presented by the Community Club Council*
12 *on April 7, 2023.*

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14 WHEREAS, in April 2023, Tribal Council passed Resolution No. 559 (2023), which requires a
15 referendum election to be held at the general election on September 7, 2023, to
16 repeal the Charter and Governing Document and replace it with a proposed new
17 Tribal Constitution that was attached to Resolution No. 559 (2023); and

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19 WHEREAS, through multiple meetings, a Tribal Council work session, and significant comments
20 received by Tribal Council in regular session, it appears that the referendum on the
21 proposed Constitution attached to Resolution No. 559 (2023) should be paused to
22 allow for additional community input and legal review; and

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24 WHEREAS, this resolution to rescind the three resolutions identified herein is entered at the
25 request of the community, including strong voices from our young adults, and the
26 Constitution Committee.

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28 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of
29 Cherokee Indians in Council assembled at which a quorum is present, that Tribal
30 Council hereby rescinds all resolutions that propose to amend or replace the Charter
31 and Governing Document, specifically Resolution No. 11 (2021), Resolution No.
32 150 (2022) and Resolution No. 559 (2023).

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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the referendum questions presented in Resolution No. 11 (2021),
35 Resolution No. 150 (2022) and Resolution No. 559 (2023) to amend or replace the
36 Charter and Governing Document shall not be presented on the ballot at the General
37 Election in 2023 administered by the Board of Elections.

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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one or more constitutional conventions shall be held in the
40 future under rules and procedures to be developed by an equal number of delegates,
41 not to exceed two delegates plus an alternate, from and for the Legislative branch,
42 from and for the Executive branch, from and for the Judicial branch, from and for
43 the Community Club Council, and from and for Tribal member young adults who
44 are 18 - 25 years of age.

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46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authority for drafting the constitution shall be vested in
47 the delegates to the constitutional convention identified above, who will also cause

48 a legal review to be performed prior to submission of a proposed constitution to
49 Tribal Council for referendum.

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51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all conventions and meetings for the debate of the content
52 of the constitution shall be open to the public, and quarterly updates regarding the
53 progress of the meetings and drafting shall be provided to Tribal Council by the
54 delegates.

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56 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the funding provided in Res. No. 22 (2019) for the
57 constitution effort shall remain available and may be supplemented by Tribal
58 Council according to need and availability of funds.

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60 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the delegates shall have authority to contract with a third-
61 party subject matter expert or experts, not affiliated with the Tribe.

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63 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that all resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are
64 rescinded, and this resolution shall become effective upon ratification by the
65 Principal Chief.

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68 *Submitted by Tribal Council at the request of the Tribal young adults, Tribal members, the*
69 *Constitution Committee, and the Community Club Council.*

AMENDED
PASSED
JUL 13 2023

CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA
July 13, 2023

AMENDMENT to Resolution No. 627 (2023):

On the second page, line 58, after the word, "to" insert the word, "the" so that it reads, "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the funding provided in Resolution No. 22 (2019) for the constitution effort shall remain available and may be supplemented by Tribal Council according to the need and availability of funds"

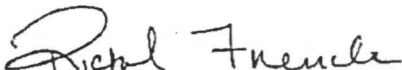
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PASSED (X)

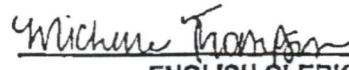
KILLED ()

and ratified in open Council on July 13, 2023 by 94 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			
Mike Parker	X			
Andrew Oocumma	X			
Albert Rose	X			
Dike Sneed				X
Michael Stamper	X			
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TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN



ENGLISH CLERK



PRINCIPAL CHIEF

APPROVED (✓) VETOED ()

VETO UPHELD () VETO DENIED ()

DATE: 7/17/23

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 ()

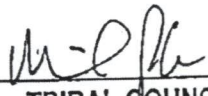
The attached Resolution/Ordinance No. 13 dated OCTOBER 16, 2023 was:

PASSED (X)

KILLED ()

and ratified in open Council on OCTOBER 16, 2023 by 100 voting for the act
and 0 members voting against it as follows:

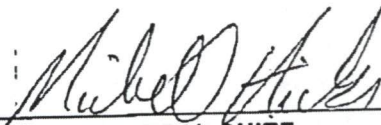
VOTE	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Richard French	X			
Perry Shell	X			
Boyd Owle	X			
Bucky Brown	X			
Tom Wahnetah	X			
David Wolfe	X			
Adam Wachacha	X			
Mike Parker	X			
Bo Crowe	X			
Jim Owle	X			
Dike Sneed	X			
Michael Stamper	X			
	100	0	0	0



TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN



ENGLISH CLERK



PRINCIPAL CHIEF

APPROVED (✓) VETOED ()

VETO UPHELD () VETO DENIED ()

DATE: 10-25-23

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 ()