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CHEROKEE COUNCIL HOUSE
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

Date: OCT 27 2026

RESOLUTION NO.: 341 **(2026)**

A resolution establishing a Governmental Affairs Department, reclassifying the current Legislative Public Relations Specialist position, and assigning it to the Governmental Affairs Department.

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is a sovereign power as a federally recognized Indian Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians should have a Governmental Affairs Department that coordinates activities to interact with local, state, and government officials ~~actors~~ and influence policy; and

WHEREAS, a Governmental Affairs Department would help the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians anticipate legislation, respond to regulatory proposals, and participate in the policy dialogue; and

WHEREAS, the current Executive Branch has existing employees who function to serve this purpose, and it is the wishes of the Principal Chief and the Tribal Council to restructure and to establish a Governmental Affairs department; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch has existing Public Relations positions, and the Legislative Public Relations Specialist position, which is supervised by the Tribal Council Chairperson, is currently a duplication of services; and

WHEREAS, reclassifying and moving this position is needed for tracking proposed laws, regulations, and administrative actions that could impact operations, conducting risk assessment, impact modeling, and scenario planning to guide strategic decisions as well as communicating positions to lawmakers and agency officials; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Council, at which a quorum is present, that the Legislative Public Relations Specialist position be transferred to the Executive Branch of Government to be reclassified to report to the Governmental Affairs Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Principal Chief is authorized to carry out the intent of this resolution. That the Human Resources Division will assist the Principal Chief in changing the Executive Branch organizational structure to reclassify this position and create the Governmental Affairs Department per exhibit 1 and 2

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are rescinded, and this resolution shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief.

Submitted by Tribal Council

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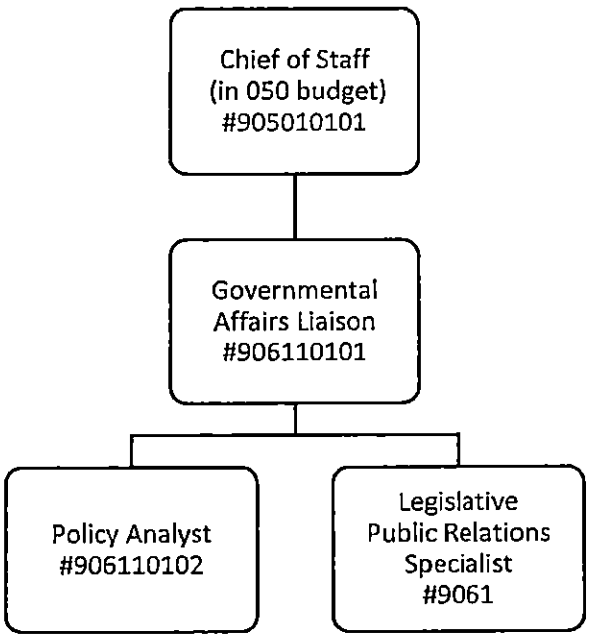
AMENDMENT to RESOLUTION No. 341 (2026):

ON PAGE ONE, LINE 18, strike the word, "~~actors~~" and insert, "officials"

Ex. 1

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DRAFT - 061: Governmental Affairs



Ex. 2

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075: Tribal Council

