

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 39

Recognizing the Northern Cherokee Indian People of Missouri.

WHEREAS, the Northern Cherokee Indian people are descendants of the Cherokee Nation;
and

WHEREAS, the Northern Cherokee settled in Missouri rather than in Indian territory; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Cherokee citizens of Missouri have represented our state in the armed services through several wars; and

WHEREAS, they are very much a part of the state's history and its future; and

WHEREAS, they have continued a form of tribal government for the past 140 years, and in 1979, wrote a constitution and by-laws creating a new and working tribal organization into the state of Missouri in 1982; and

WHEREAS, recognition by the state of Missouri confers certain benefits upon the Northern Cherokee Indian people:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Missouri Senate, Ninety-First General Assembly, First Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby recognize the Northern Cherokee Indians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this recognition is in no way intended to aid in any way in enabling establishment of any tribal casinos or in earning gaming approval of any kind, and if so used this resolution is of no force and effect; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.

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