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A RESOLUTION CREATING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING COMMISSION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, (hereinafter referred to as "Board") has the authority under K.S.A. § 19-4104, K.S.A. § 19-101a and K.S.A. § 19-212, to create an Economic Development Advisory Committee to meet, explore and create solutions for economic development throughout Cherokee County, Kansas. This committee may be utilized to conduct studies and prepare comprehensive plans for the county's future economic growth and development; to inventory the services, facilities and resources of the entire county; to promote, stimulate and encourage the growth and development of agriculture, commerce and industry of the county as a whole, in order to achieve maximum utilization of the county's human, economic, and natural resources and tourist attractions; and to otherwise promote the general economic welfare and prosperity of the area, and;

WHEREAS, the Board finds the creation of such an Economic Development Advisory Committee to accomplish such purposes is warranted, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, meeting in regular session, this 25th day of March, 2013, does hereby resolve as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> Economic Development Advisory Committee Created. There is hereby created an Economic Development Advisory Committee for Cherokee County, Kansas, which shall consist of nine members. One member shall be a resident from each of the following cities in Cherokee County, Kansas: Weir, Scammon, Columbus, Baxter Springs and Galena (positions #1 through #5 designated below). Three members shall residents of Cherokee County, Kansas, one to be appointed from each county commissioner district with such members not being residents of the aforestated cities (positions #6 through #8 designated

below). One member shall be a county commissioner of Cherokee County, Kansas (position #9 designated below).

Section 2. Membership; Appointment; Removal. The members of the Economic Development Advisory Committee shall be appointed by the Board. The members of the Economic Development Advisory Committee shall be appointed to serve for two year terms that expire on the 31st day of January of every odd-numbered year. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term only. The Board may remove any member of the Economic Development Advisory Committee at any time. Members of the Economic Development Advisory Committee shall serve without compensation.

The following position numbers are designated for the membership of the Economic Development Advisory Committee with the residential requirement of such position stated immediately following the position number. Any appointments shall designate the position number being filled.

Position #1- Weir

Position #2- Scammon

Position #3- Columbus

Position #4- Baxter Springs

Position #5- Galena

Position #6- Commissioner District #1

Position #7- Commissioner District #2

Position #8- Commissioner District #3

Position #9- Cherokee County, Kansas (appointee must be a county commissioner)

Section 3. Meetings. The members of the Economic Development Advisory Committee shall meet at least annually. They shall select one of their number as chairperson and one as vice chairperson who shall serve one year and until their successor has been selected. The Economic Development Advisory Committee shall annually appoint a secretary who may be an officer or employee of the county. Special meetings may be called at any time by the chairperson, or in his or her absence, by the vice chairperson. A majority of the Economic Development Advisory Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Economic Development Advisory Committee shall cause a proper record to be kept of its proceedings.

<u>Section 4.</u> Powers and Duties. The economic development planning commission shall have all the powers and duties set forth above, and such other

powers and duties as are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law. However, all expenditures shall be subject to approval and any budgeting therefore by the Board.

Section 5. Budget. The Board may approve a budget for the Economic Development Advisory Committee and make such allowances to the committee as it deems proper, including funds for the employment of such employees or consultants as the Board may authorize and provide, and shall add the same to the general budget. Prior to the time that moneys are available under the budget, the Board may appropriate moneys for such purposes from the general fund. The Board may enter into such contracts as it deems necessary and may receive and expend funds and moneys from the state or federal government or from any other resource for such purposes.

<u>Section 6.</u> Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in this resolution, or the application thereof to any circumstances, is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remaining portions of this resolution.

<u>Section 7.</u> Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication once in the official county newspaper.

Adopted this 25th day of March, 2013, by the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS.

Patrick W. Collins

County Commissioner

Richard J. Hilderbrand

County Commissioner

Charlie Napier

County Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rodney Edmondson

County Clerk of Cherokee County,

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