

1 tribes within its borders, to support their tribal aspirations, to preserve their cultural heritage
2 and improve their economic condition, and to assist them in the achievement of their just
3 rights.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of Louisiana that the state of
5 Louisiana hereby formally recognizes the Boeuf River Band of Cherokees of Louisiana as
6 an Indian tribe of the state.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Legislature of Louisiana that the Congress of
8 the United States and the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs are hereby memorialized,
9 requested, and urged to take such steps as are necessary to effect, in the near future, the
10 formal recognition of the Boeuf River Band of Cherokees as an Indian tribe, and to
11 acknowledge that the rights of the Boeuf River Band of Cherokees are no less, if not indeed
12 greater, than those of other Indian tribes in the United States, and accordingly, to take such
13 executive or congressional action as may be appropriate.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Boeuf River Band of Cherokees of
15 Louisiana, will agree in writing with the governor of the state of Louisiana not to apply for
16 any gaming license, compact, or permit for gaming on any reservation within Louisiana for
17 a period of ninety-nine years from the date of formal recognition of the tribe as an Indian
18 tribe of the state.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if this written agreement with the governor is not
20 executed by the tribe, then this Resolution will thereby be null and void.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution shall be transmitted to
22 the president of the United States, the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of
23 Representatives of the Congress of the United States, each member of the Louisiana
24 congressional delegation, the director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the United States
25 Department of the Interior, and the leadership of the Boeuf River Band of Cherokees.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sherri H. Breaux.

Provides that the Boeuf River Band of Cherokees of Louisiana agree in writing with the governor of the state of Louisiana not to apply for any gaming license, compact, or permit for gaming on any reservation within Louisiana for a period of 99 years from the date of formal recognition of the tribe as an Indian tribe of the state.

Provides that the Resolution is null and void if the tribe does not execute a written agreement with the governor not to apply for any gaming license, compact, or permit for any reservation.