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**A RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATIONAL COUNCIL DECLARING
SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE AND NATION OF UKRAINE**

Be it resolved by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:

WHEREAS, the Muscogee (Creek) National Council encourages all citizens to recognize the sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence of the free country of Ukraine from the oppression of authoritarian Vladimir Putin's Soviet Union;

WHEREAS, Ukraine is the second-largest country by area in Europe, with a population of 4.3 million residents;

WHEREAS, on January 21, 1990, more than 300,000 Ukrainians called for unity and independence from the Soviet Union by forming a human chain between the major cities of Kyiv and Ivano-Frankivsk;

WHEREAS, on December 1, 1991, more than 90 percent of Ukrainian citizens voted in a national referendum in support of independence, with majorities in every region;

WHEREAS, Ukraine gained its independence in 1991, following the dissolution of the Soviet Union;

WHEREAS, Ukraine is a peaceful and independent country;

WHEREAS, Ukraine is currently under an unprovoked full-scale military invasion from Russia;

WHEREAS, Russia's military siege is not only a violation of international law, Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial boundaries and integrity, and the Minsk agreements, but is also tantamount to a declaration of war;

1 **WHEREAS**, Russian forces have targeted civilians and have committed war
2 crimes and crimes against humanity;

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4 **WHEREAS**, the Muscogee (Creek) National Council recognizes the rights of all
5 sovereign nations to decide their own future - free from outside interference or coercion;
6 and

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8 **WHEREAS**, we support Ukraine's independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity
9 and stand by the people of Ukraine and its democratically elected institutions and
10 representatives, and we support the Ukrainian people's right to live in peace and
11 determine their own future.

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13 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Muscogee (Creek) National Council:

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15 (1) joins with other sovereign nations and demands an immediate cease-fire and
16 the full withdrawal of Russian forces from Ukrainian territory;
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18 (2) supports, unequivocally, Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity;
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20 (3) backs the continued use of sanctions, in coordination with United States allies
21 and partners, to fully isolate the Putin regime economically for its unprovoked
22 aggression against Ukraine;
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24 (4) hereby extends support to the people of Ukraine in this time of war and stands
25 in solidarity with the members of the Ukrainian population who have or may
26 choose to make the Muscogee (Creek) Nation their home.
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28 (5) declares that the war in Ukraine, a democratic country, is the frontline of
29 democracy and freedom versus authoritarianism represented by Putin's
30 Russia;
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32 (6) supports the right of the Russian people to protest, including the current
33 protests against Putin's unprovoked war against Ukraine;
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35 (7) state's unambiguously that it will never recognize or support any illegitimate
36 Russian-controlled leader or government installed through the use of force; and
37 that only the people of Ukraine can choose their leadership through free and
38 fair democratic elections without foreign interference, intervention or coercion;
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40 (8) stands steadfastly, staunchly, proudly and fervently behind the Ukrainian
41 people in their fight against the authoritarian Putin regime.
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