

*****ENROLLED SENATE

JOINT

RESOLUTION NO. 17

By: Littlefield of the Senate

and

Roberts, Eddins and Settle
of the House

A Joint Resolution recognizing the Loyal Shawnee Tribe as an Indian tribe separate and apart from the Cherokee Nation; prohibiting certain construction of provisions.

WHEREAS, the Loyal Shawnees are recognized as the descendants of the Shawnee Tribe of Indians, which was incorporated into the Cherokee Nation of Indians pursuant to an agreement entered into by and between the Shawnee Tribe of Indians and the Cherokee Nation on June 7, 1869, approved by the President of the United States on June 9, 1869, in accordance with Article XV of the July 19, 1866, Treaty between the United States and the Cherokee Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Loyal Shawnees from and after this incorporation have maintained a culture, language, religion, organization and membership separate and apart from the Cherokee Nation; and

WHEREAS, the Loyal Shawnees now desire to be recognized as a separate tribe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 46TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 1. The State of Oklahoma hereby recognizes the Loyal Shawnee Tribe as an Indian tribe separate and apart from the Cherokee Nation. The provisions of this resolution shall not be construed to grant privileges, benefits or immunities available to federally recognized Indian tribes to the Loyal Shawnee Tribe unless and until such time as the Loyal Shawnee Tribe is federally recognized.