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- **1. Introduction.** This document requests a change of the encoding model for Cherokee from unicameral to bicameral, and in addition requests the addition of an archaic syllable *mv* to the repertoire.
- 1.1. Background. In the early 1990s when Cherokee was being encoded in the UCS, communication was not what it is today. Indeed much of the correspondence done concerning the encoding was even done by fax—hard as it is to believe now. In any case, it was not known at the time, either by character encoders or by the Cherokee users themselves, that the casing pairs which were found in certain important documents were required for encoding. It took some years after encoding before UCS-encoded Cherokee text became prevalent. Now that practical use has been made of the encoded script, Cherokee users have recognized that it was a mistake not to encode Cherokee as a bicameral script. The change of the encoding model for Cherokee from unicameral to bicameral should be prioritized as highly important. The user community has requested this change and has identified it as an urgent requirement.
- **2. The "missing" letter** mv. Even when Cherokee was being first encoded, it was recognized that Sequoyah's document (illustrating his original character designs alongside handwritten versions of the typographic symbols being designed for them) contained an extra letter; back in 1994 this was mis-identified by Michael Everson as "archaic hv" (most likely due to the comparison given with @bv in the *Cherokee Phoenix*, 1828-08-06—see Figure 2). The actual reading of the character is mv, a very rare syllable in Cherokee usually represented by ma in standard orthography. In consultation with the Cherokee Nation Language Program staff, the typographic form G has been chosen to answer to the way in which Sequoyah drew the character. See Figure 1.
- **3. Bicamerality in Cherokee.** Both capital letters and small letters are found in the Cherokee New Testament (1860) as well as in other documents, printed with lead-type throughout the 19th century and into the 20th. It is likely that the practice of unicameral Cherokee is in part a result first of the limitations of manual typewriters, as well as of early 8-bit encodings which followed the typewriter conventions. For a period of time through the middle of the 20th century the script was used much less than it had been previously. At present it is enjoying a UCS-based renaissance. Currently the Cherokee Nation's Office of Translation, Language Technology Department, and Curriculum Development staff are regularly forced to use fancy text in order to increase the font size of letters in sentence-initial position and representing personal and place-names. They find this disruptive of

their work-flow and impractical as fancy-text is less stable than plain text. Many database programs do not permit text in two point sizes in a database field, for instance.

- **3.1. Treatment of current Cherokee text.** At present Cherokee text is encoded as caseless, with the property "Lo" (Letter Other) rather than "Lu" (Letter Upper) or "Ll" (Letter Lower). There has been considerable discussion on this topic with the Cherokee user community and with representatives of both WG2 and the UTC. If the encoding model for Cherokee is to be changed from unicameral to bicameral, existing text has to be changed from "Lo" to either "Lu" or "Ll", and the new characters assigned whatever case is left over. There are advantages and disadvantages to both changes.
- **3.1.1. Change of current Cherokee from "Lo" to "Ll".** Changing from "Lo" to "Ll" and adding a new "Lu" set of characters would seem to be the expected way of handling this problem, because in general it is upper-case characters which are added for Latin (casing pairs for African scripts using IPA, for example). If this were done, than Cherokee case-folding would be the same as Latin, Greek, Cyrillic, Armenian, Glagolitic, and Deseret: from upper-case to lower-case. In IDNA, current Cherokee characters (which are PVALID) would be made lower-case, and would fold to new upper-case characters (which would *not* be PVALID).

There are disadvantages to declaring existing Cherokee characters to be lower-case, however. Existing fonts draw Cherokee letters at the same size as Latin capitals. Despite what was suggested in N4487 (the preliminary proposal superseded by the present document) it does not make sense to retain Cherokee lower-case characters at Latin caps-height size and to make Cherokee capitals reach to the ascender and descender lines, because in the common scenario of mixed English and Cherokee text there would be essentially three sizes, Latin x-height, Latin/Cherokee caps-height, and superlarge Cherokee caps. This would look pretty ridiculous.

Alternatively once could specify that fonts be changed so that existing Cherokee glyphs would be made, say, 68% smaller, and new caps added at Latin caps height. But this would mean two things. First, it would invalidate all current Cherokee fonts, and there is no real mechanism for comprehensively getting rid of them. And second, even if all of them could be got rid of and replaced with fonts that made the lower-case letters smaller, it would have the major implication of transforming the layout of every currently existing document.

**3.1.2.** Change of current Cherokee from "Lo" to "Lu". Changing from "Lo" to "Lu" and adding a new "Ll" set of characters would have the implication that Cherokee case-folding would be different from that of Latin, Greek, Cyrillic, Armenian, Glagolitic, and Deseret: it would instead be from lower-case to upper-case. In IDNA, current Cherokee characters (which are PVALID) would be made upper-case, and would fold to new lower-case characters (which would not be PVALID). This would be exceptional for IDNA, but it does not break anything in current practice, since currently PVALID characters would remain PVALID. Browser developers and other developers having to deal with IDNA would have to take special note of this (in the event a user typed in a URL with lower-case Cherokee).

Implications for the user in a word-processing environment would be that selecting text and applying the "all caps" style to it would work oppositely from the way it does for Latin. Typed-in Latin small letters grow with "all caps" style, and typed-in Latin capital letters stay the same size. For Cherokee it would be the opposite: Typed-in Cherokee capital letters would *shrink* with "all caps" style

(conceptually "all smalls" though the keyboard command would remain the same), and typed-in Cherokee small letters would stay the same size.

Implications for Cherokee font display is made much easier with this model, however. To add lower-case letters to an existing font is (technically) easy, and designers would not have to change the metrics of existing upper-case letters. The formatting of old documents would not change: basically everything would just *work*,

The disadvantage of treating currently encoded text as capital would mean that all currently encoded documents will, one day look like SHOUTING to readers, as the use of lower-case letters becomes more widespread. The same could be said for legacy Latin text written in 6-bit encodings, and for legal text which often written in all caps (for whatever reason).

- **3.1.3.** Conclusion. After weighing the advantages and disadvantages in 3.1.1 and 3.1.2, the user community has decided to request the solution found in 3.1.2. Existing content and fonts will not go away; the fonts will be around for a long time. Implementors have no control over that. But implementors *do* control the treatment of casing behaviour in a user agent and can ensure that it does the right thing. Accordingly, our request is that WG2 and the UTC make the Cherokee script bicameral by making the existing Cherokee letters uppercase, in order to provide better backward compatibility with existing implementations.
- **4.** Character encoding positions. In N4487 it was suggested that new Cherokee characters should be added to the SMP because there was little space left in the BMP (which had no free, unallocated blocks), and in order to preserve a constant offset for Cherokee case-pairs. While in general variable-length case-folding would not be problematic for many applications, it appears that for some others, such as certain database applications, it would be, at a deep enough level that it might not be possible to expect such folding to work (either in the short or long term, or ever), since a lesser-used script like Cherokee might not be reason enough to inspire corrections to that software, or to get such updates rolled out significantly. For this reason, the suggestion made recently by the U.S. National Body on the ballot for DIS ISO/IEC 10646 should be accepted. The boundaries of the Latin Extended-E block should be changed from 9 columns (U+AB30..U+ABBF) to 4 columns (U+AB30..U+AB6F), resulting in a block of 5 contiguous columns, which would enable a set of 80 characters to be encoded in the BMP.

We recommend retaining constant offset nevertheless, for the convenience of users of the code charts. Accordingly, CHEROKEE LETTER A through CHEROKEE LETTER YA will be encoded at U+13A0...U+13EF, and CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER A through CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YA will be encoded at U+AB70..U+ABBF. The remaining letters CHEROKEE LETTER YE through CHEROKEE LETTER MV will be encoded at U+13F0..U+13F5, and CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YE through CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MV will be encoded at U+13F8..U+13D5.

**5. Ordering.** The letter G Mv should be inserted in its proper place in the syllabary, after Y Mu; Capital letters precede small letters as shown below.

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D A <<< d a < R E <<< R e < T I <<< T i < \delta O <<< \delta o < O' U <<< \delta u <
i V <<< i v < \$ Ga <<<<\$ ga < \emptyset Ka <<<< \emptyset ka < F Ge <<< F ge < Y Gi <<< Y gi <
A Go <<< A go < J Gu <<< J gu < E Gv <<< E gv < \P Ha <<< \P ha < \P He <<< \P he <
\circlearrowleft Hi <<< \circlearrowleft hi < \dagger Ho <<< \dagger ho < \Gamma Hu <<< \Gamma hu < \circlearrowleft Hv <<< \circlearrowleft hv < \forall La <<< \forall U
\delta Le <<< \delta le < \Gamma Li <<< \Gamma li < \Gamma Lo <<< \Gamma lo < M Lu <<< M Lu < \Lambda Lv <<< \Lambda
5 Ma <<< 3 mo < ₹ mu < 01 Me <<< 01 me < H Mi <<< H mi < 5 Mo <<< 5 mo < ₹ Mu <<< ₹ mu <
G Mv <<< G mv < \Theta Na <<< \Theta na < G Nah <<< G Nah << G Nah << A Ne <<< A Ne <<
\bigcirc Que << \bigcirc que < \bigcirc Qui << \bigcirc qui < \lor Quo << \lor quo < \bigcirc Quu << \bigcirc quu < \in Quv << \in quv <
\forall Sa <<< \forall Sa < 0 
\& Su <<< \& su < R Sv << L Da <<< L da < W Ta <<< \bigvee ta < \diamondsuit De <<< \diamondsuit de <
 \top   Te <<<  \top   te <  \overrightarrow{ }   Di <<<  \overrightarrow{ }   di <  \overrightarrow{ }   Ti <<<  \overrightarrow{ }   ti <  \overrightarrow{ }   Do <<<  \overrightarrow{ }   do <  \overrightarrow{ }   Du <<<  \overrightarrow{ }   du <
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\forall Tlo <<< \forall tlo <   \forall Tlu <<< \nabla tlu <   P Tlv <<< P tlv <   C Tsa <<< C tsa <   V Tse <<< V tse <<
If Tsi <<< k tso << k tso < d Tsu <<< d tsu < <math>c Tsv <<< c tsv < <math>c Wa <<< c wa << c
\& We <<< \& we < O Wi <<< O wi < O Wo <<< O wo < O Wu <<< O wu < O
\mathfrak{S} Ya <<< \mathfrak{S} ya < \mathfrak{B} Ye <<< \mathfrak{B} ye < \mathfrak{D} Yi <<< \mathfrak{B} yi < \mathfrak{h} Yo <<< \mathfrak{h} yo < \mathfrak{G} Yu <<< \mathfrak{G} yu <
B Yv \ll B vv
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**6. Glyph representation of Cherokee upper- and lower-case.** In at least some of the 19th-century material lower-case letters are represented by the "long primer" size and upper-case letters are represented by the "English" size of the lead-type fonts cut for Cherokee at the time. These are approximately 10 and 14 points respectively. Setting such text in with lead-type was simple enough, but on computers today unless the leading has been explicitly specified (not all applications can do this) mixing 14-point and 10-point type in the same paragraph can make the line-spacing look a little uneven.

Here is an example text from the gospel of John 1:1–9, set in the size used in the New Testament, with 14-point capitals and 10-point smalls on 14.4 point leading:

'ALCHOE OZPO' RPT, DC GOY OZPO' O'NWOH THWO DNPT, DC GOY OZPO' O'NWOH F4T.  $^2A$ LCHOET GOY O'NWOH THWO DNPT.

 $^3$ hsi arga qwy owpat, do hsi apola my il arga qwy qwpo q ly.  $^4$ Ooy [Ozpo] Eho owpt; do qwy Eho bo ts opaglal fat.  $^5$ Do qwy ts-sagloy opbe saust, opbyz il lochaut.

 $^{6}$ yg tgoa dosg rly Ch dvto Oawoa olgobo fry.  $^{7}$ Oay omcy ozpoy fry, owy Ts-sa ozpaa, owy tgghfaa ohi ozagaa.  $^{8}$ il owy o Ts-sa af4t, ozpoyvodyh fry owy Ts-sa.  $^{9}$ Ooyoyh oozpo ovagr Ts-sa fry; owy rga dmc, ts hsdaola ohi bo.

Here is an example text from the gospel of John 1:1–9, set in 12 points on 14.4 point leading:

 $^1$  Alghale Ozfo Rft, do 6dy Ozfo Onwoa tawa dnft, do 6dy Ozfo Onwoa fat.  $^2$  Alghalet 6dy Onwoa tawa dnft.

 $^3$ hsi arda quy oʻupat, do hsi apole my il arda quy qupoq ay.  $^4$ Ody [Ozio] eho oʻwit; do quy eho bo ts oʻqadlal fat.  $^5$ Do quy ts-sadady oʻrbe squst, oʻrbyz il anthqut.

<sup>6</sup>Ус тдал dasa rwy Ch avto Onwo ougobo fry. <sup>7</sup>Ody Omcy ozday fry, ody Ts-sa Ozda, ody tgghaa ohi Ozagas. <sup>8</sup>ic ody o Ts-sa af4t, ozdayvayh fry ody Ts-sa. <sup>9</sup>Odyayh oozdo Ovagr Ts-sa fry; ody rca amc, ts издадил оні во.

Note that a number of characters in this example have ascenders or descenders. Discussions with Cherokee users indicates that the use of such variation is found quite commonly in 19th-century handwriting, and is likely to be felt as natural to the script, although seeing it in type might be a surprise to some readers at first. Over the next period while, a certain amount of experimentation in this regard is to be expected. In the font used in the code chart, ascenders have been given to  $\partial u$ ,  $\partial he$ , h ni,  $\partial que$ ,  $\partial s$ ,  $\forall ta$ , k tso, and  $\partial ya$  (of which h,  $\forall$ , and k have not been attested per se in handwriting), and descenders have been given to gi, gu, gi, hna, gi, gi

- **7. Font style.** It must be said that Cherokee users would like to have their fonts function with *italic* and **bold** and **bold-italic** styles just as Latin fonts do. To date specifically italic styles have never been designed (though 19th-century handwriting offers many opportunities for study); at a minimum an obliqued Cherokee should be offered by font vendors.
- **8. Diacritical marks in Cherokee.** It should be noted that a variety of combining diacritical marks are now used in Cherokee text. For ordinary readers and especially for children, U+0323 COMBINING DOT BELOW indicates shifts in consonant readings—such as voiced to voiceless, voiceless to voiced—and U+0331 COMBINING MACRON BELOW indicates the dropping of a vowel. (When a consonant is both shifted and has its vowel dropped, U+0324 COMBINING DIAERESIS BELOW is used.) In quite exceptional cases, nasalization can be indicated by U+03 combining tilde below. (Nasalization is common; marking it is not.) Diacritical marks above a letter indicate tones; these are typically used only by linguists and in lexicography.

[g] to [k]		ŀ ke	У. ki	А ko	J kи	Е kv
[n] to $[n] \sim [hn]$		$\bigcap$ hne	ḥ hni	Ż hno	નું hnu	O^ hnv
[s] to [∫]	₿ sha	4 she	Ь shi	‡ sho	⊱ shu	R shv
[d] to [t]				V to	Ș tu	Ō³ tv
[tl] to [dl]		Ļ dle	Ç dli	∯ dlo	🤈 dlu	₽ dlv
[ts] $\sim$ [dʒ] to [tʃ]	Ç cha	V che	Ļí chi	Ķ cho	₫ chu	Ç" chv
[w] to [m]	Ģ wha	O whe	🤉 whi	😲 who	9 whu	6 whv
[j] to [hj]	ф hya	$\beta$ hye	Љ hyi	fi hyo	Ç" hyu	₿ hyv

Some additional modifiers have been discussed, for use in transliteration of names in fiction. For example, the non-Cherokee sound  $[r]\sim[x]$  might be represented by a dotted l-series:

[l] to  $[r]\sim[x]$   $\bigvee_{i} ra$   $\bigvee_{j} re$   $\bigvee_{i} ri$   $\bigvee_{j} ro$   $\bigvee_{i} ru$   $\bigvee_{j} rv$ 

An example of these marks in use is in a spelling which is planned to be used in the forthcoming translation of Fra (Haquiti, The Hobbit) in Cherokee, where a character's Sindarin name will be written not just Regha (Elilonidi) but Regha (Elrond).

Tone marks above a letter, used to indicate pitch in technical transcription, follows the IPA conventions, and uses U+0304 COMBINING MACRON for "mid" (this is the default and need not be written), U+0302 COMBINING CIRCUMFLEX ACCENT for "falling", U+030C COMBINING CARON for "rising", U+0300 COMBINING GRAVE ACCENT for "low", U+0301 COMBINING ACUTE ACCENT for "high", and U+030B COMBINING DOUBLE ACUTE ACCENT for "super high".

**9. Timeliness.** Since the identities of the characters in this proposal are not disputed by anyone (they are, after all, simply casing pairs of existing characters (plus Mv/mv), and since early implementation would be advantageous to the user community, we favour the placement of the Cherokee additions onto the earliest possible ballot.

# 10. Unicode Character Properties.

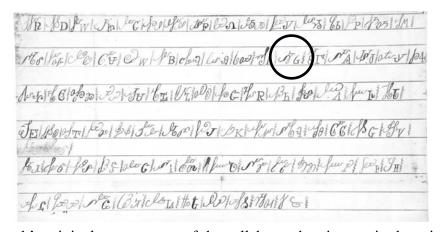
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AB7B; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GU; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13AB;
AB7C; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13AC;
AB7D; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HA; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13AD;
AB7E; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HE; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13AE;
AB7F; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HI; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13AF;
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AB89; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MA; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13B9;
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AB8C; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MO; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13BC;
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AB8F; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HNA; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13BF;
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AB92; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NI; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13C2;
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AB9F; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER SI; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13CF;
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ABAB; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DV; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13DB;
ABAC; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DLA; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13DC;
ABAD; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLA; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13DD;
ABAE; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLE; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13DE;
ABAF; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLI; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13DF;
ABBO; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLO; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13E0;
ABB1; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLU; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13E1;
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ABB3; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSA; Lu; 0; L;;;;; N;;;; 13E3;
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ABB4; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSE; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E4; ABB5; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSI; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E5; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSU; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB7; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSU; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E7; ABB8; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E8; ABB4; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WA; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E8; ABB5; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WI; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB0; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WO; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB0; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WU; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N;;;; 13E6; ABB6; CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV; Lu; 0; L;;;; N
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# 12. Figures.



**Figure 1.** Sequoyah's original arrangement of the syllabary, showing mv in the original design and with a type-based version hand-drawn next to it.

Question 2. "What mean the three letters all three pronounced un (French) con of Guess, and what is become of them? What is become also of Claugh r, Cleek c, Clah c, Clegh L, Clok v, and the nasal Gnaugh z?"

Ans. Only one of the three letters in question, viz. i, has simply the sound of un French. The other two are aspirated, and differ from each other only in that the sound of & is more open than that of G. This distinction has been regarded as of so little consequence, particularly by Maj. Lowrey, who has been the oracle on this subject, that the character G has been omitted, and, as no type has been cast for it, your printers can only represent it, as I perceive they have done, by breaking the English capital G.

**Figure 2.** Description of the problematic typography and use of the syllable *mv* in the *Cherokee Phoenix*, 1828-08-06.



**Figure 3.** The beginning of the Gospel of John (Ch *Tsani*) published in 1860 in Cherokee, showing capital letters in use throughout at the beginnings of sentences and personal and place names. (Red highlighting has been added.)

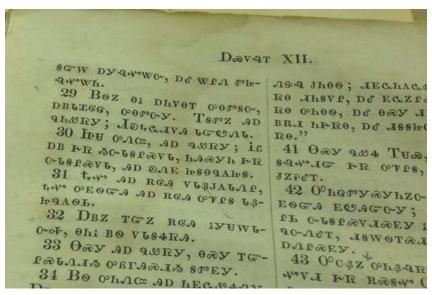


Figure 4. Photo of part of the 1860 Cherokee New Testament.

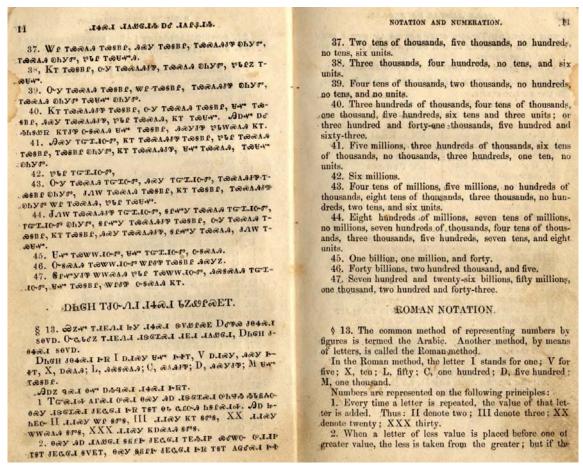
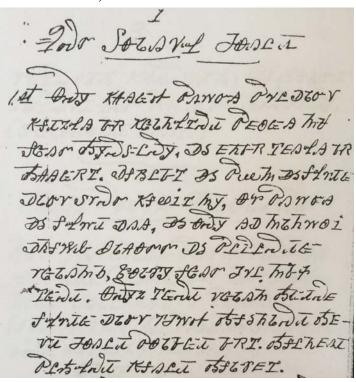


Figure 5. From John B. Jones' *Elementary Arithmetic in Cherokee and English*, 1870, showing capital letters in use throughout at the beginnings of sentences. In the section on Roman Notation, The Roman method is called Dhoh *Anilomi* ('people of Lomi' = Rome) and the Arabic Detal *Alegwiya* (which transliterates *Arabia*).



**Figure 6.** Sample of 19th-century handwriting in which ascenders and a few descenders can be seen.

16 огла арабму огла джьгл імуж 10, 1881.

Огла тем дівл тела лаія амт двя лялжул.

Мітлу Діг Кітмоу, біму амт двя лялжул 271 амт вея Амо- дітоляля, \$56.75, оговля дляжу огла імуж 8, 1879, амт очро- імуж 9, 1879, тем дівл телял вягжь.

Мь ітяя, 0-чет 16, 1881.

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Dyeog.A.

O' I A CE DSQ DAQAY ASGARAAY AFRA J6VA.

Thay Dee Krwoy, they were stay dead kyasaz (\$27.75) aawo a raha devocay hei dea dha dee daa, ocho oega aawo a here er, tay araa 16va do otaequa Jegarahy aequana overt, do oega 10pa raha ame dea aamay bay oega tex ajba taeh.

**б**ь няче, 0-узт 22, 1881.

Janway,

DYEOGA.

18 ACT AMENDING AN ACT.

AN ACT to make a certain warrant preferred.

Be it enacted by the National Council, That warrant No. 271, issued to Dr. L. M. Cravens for \$56.75, under an appropriation dated December 8th, 1879, issued December 9th, 1879, be and the same is hereby made a preferred warrant.

Approved November 16th, 1881,

D. W. BUSHYHEAD,

Principal Chief.

An Act making appropriation for the Auditor's Office.

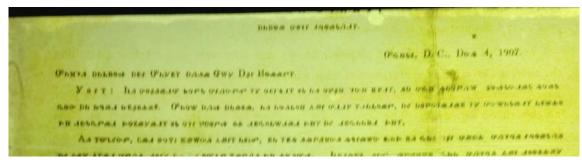
Be it enacted by the National Council, That the sum of twenty-seven dollars and seventy-five cents (27.75), be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury belonging to the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the use and benefit of the Auditor's Office, and the Chief is hereby authorized to draw a preferred warrant for the same.

Approved November 22d, 1881,

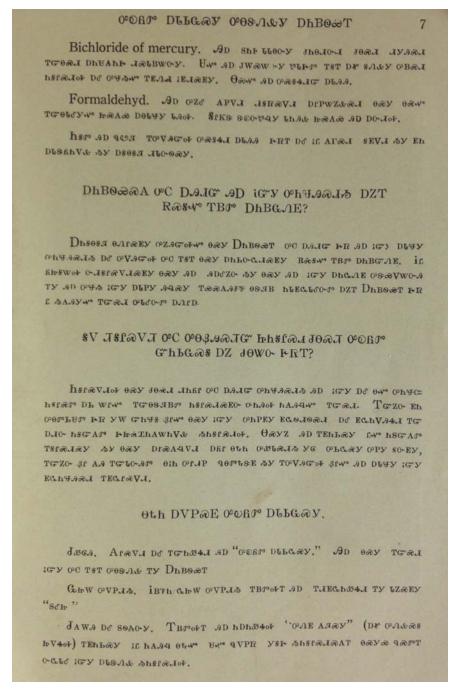
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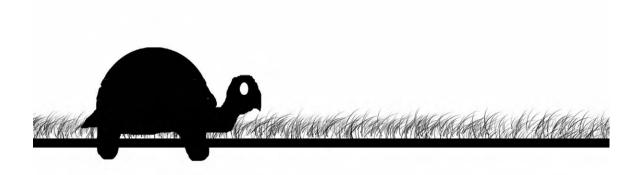
**Figure 7.** Cherokee and English acts, from *Laws and Joint Resolutions of the Cherokee Nation*, *enacted during the Regular and Special Sessions of the years 1881–2–3* (Tahlequah: E. C. Boudinot, 1884; Wilmington: Scholarly Resources, 1975). Capital letters can be seen in the Cherokee text. (Red highlighting has been added.)



**Figure 8.** A warning from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs (Washington, D.C., 1907-03-04), concerning land fraud, showing the use of capital letters.



**Figure 9.** From a Cherokee health pamphlet, dated 1918, in which capital letters are used.



# Tanhva Isb orlaa ovojavi

ASYB HER, THE DT4 Ja. O'CS O'ZBE OFSAT. "FP ISGOS O'CSS JZBS?", O'CP4. HE O'CFT O'ZBY. O'AP LSB DBF O'CPT.

Ofor sozywe Lsb. Ja owthaw qosk sozywe.
"Lsb, 4P Gy4 oosd ozby?", olmma Ja. "Oacod
Gysa ad dvojaj", oma Lsb. Olvcaj owep Ja. "C",
oma Lsb, D4z Ja owjbwa. "Fc", oma Lsb, ose
dvojaj. Ja oojbwa osi Lsb.

LSB OPSO JA SOZYAJAE, OLZIK TOSR OZBE. "ZO HJAYJB DVOJAJ", OPA LSB. DIZ JD TOH JA, "B, DEJ EAPSH FB JVE. AJ SBIS ZOK HHO, OC GOSJJY OZBE." "L ATOW, ZOHY HJAYJB DVOJAJ!" OBOA LSB. BO OCJGA LSB AJ OBOAJ JA. LSB OCIK BH FO OCJGJ, BB OBIA JA.

OZYAJ OFSO LSB SLAGG OAJ OES OZBE. "VC, HJAYJBO DVOJAJ", DW6JP LSB. JA JOAV, "B, DES DIFSO OES OZBE C AIGU OT JSGAET. OGALP OFCF OFMY ZO AFLAL. OCJ TS SATL OZBET. BEJB DVOJAJ FFSO OZBE". OFA JA. OB OBAA LSB.

Ja obalp sket ofor svojaet. "Oci gos ozbszoro ay ot isgaet!" ora lsb. "Ic Ja, hiayib deve dvojai!" owoa lsb. C ajav Ja. "Ja! Ja! Ip deve dvojai! hiayib!", ras obr qwt lsb. bo c aisat Ja. lsb sket obalp, obyl t4 Ja. lsb olotr. "Sv srs? ctfgr oaeoi dyar slib. C twig avskeyal wrat."

LSB DYLAJAF ECYAL BY P SVOJAE JA. AJB HY BGYSO JA SVOJAE, BGSTZW LSB BACW OT JA OSGAE, DVOJAJ OGGT.

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**Figure 10.** A story from the Second-Grade Cherokee school curriculum (*Language Arts and Reading Comprehension*, 2008), showing capital letters in use throughout at the beginnings of sentences and personal and place names.

	13A	13B	13C	13D	13E	13F
0	D 13A0	<b>I</b>	G 13C0	<b>1</b> 3D0	<b>Ӈ</b>	<b>3</b>
1	R 13A1	T 13B1	13C1	3D1	13E1	<b>5</b>
2	T 13A2	<b>O</b> <sub></sub>	h	R	P	<b>f</b>
3	<u></u> б	W 13B3	Z 13C3	<b>L</b>	<b>G</b>	Gw 13F3
4	O2 13A4	<b>6</b>	13C4	W 13D4	<b>T</b> /	B 13F4
5	<b>i</b> 13A5	<b>P</b>	13C5	<b>S</b>	<b>1</b> 3E5	<b>G</b>
6	<b>S</b>	G 13B6	T 13C6	T <sub>13D6</sub>	K 13E6	
7	Q 13A7	M 13B7	1307	<i>J</i>	<u>J</u>	
8	<b>I</b> ~	<b>1</b> 13B8	<b>7</b>	Д 13D8	<b>C</b> w w 13E8	<b>β</b>
9	<b>У</b>	<b>♂</b> 13B9	13C9	V 13D9	<b>G</b>	<i>Љ</i> 13F9
Α	A 13AA	O <b>J</b>	13CA	S	(N) 13EA	6 13FA
В	J 13AB	H 13BB	<b>E</b>	∫ <b>`</b>	() 13EB	<b>G</b> w 13FB
С	E 13AC	5 13BC	H 13CC	80 13DC	Q 13EC	B 13FC
D	0 <b></b>	<b>У</b>	0 <del>0</del>	<u>L</u>	<u>S</u>	<b>G</b>
Ε	<b>P</b>	13BE	4. 13CE	L 13DE	6 13EE	
F	Ĵ 13AF	<b>t</b>	Ь 13CF	C 13DF	13EF	

Most lower-case Cherokee syllables are encoded at U+AB70-ABBF.

# **Upper-case syllables**

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13A0 D CHEROKEE LETTER A
13A1
         CHEROKEE LETTER E
13A2
     Т
         CHEROKEE LETTER I
13A3
     δ
         CHEROKEE LETTER O
13A4
     \mathcal{O}^{\circ}
         CHEROKEE LETTER U
13A5
         CHEROKEE LETTER V
13A6
         CHEROKEE LETTER GA
13A7
         CHEROKEE LETTER KA
13A8
         CHEROKEE LETTER GE
13A9
         CHEROKEE LETTER GI
13AA
         CHEROKEE LETTER GO
13AB
         CHEROKEE LETTER GU
13AC
         CHEROKEE LETTER GV
13AD
         CHEROKEE LETTER HA
13AE
         CHEROKEE LETTER HE
13AF
         CHEROKEE LETTER HI
13B0
         CHEROKEE LETTER HO
13B1
         CHEROKEE LETTER HU
13B2
         CHEROKEE LETTER HV
13B3
     W
         CHEROKEE LETTER LA
13B4
         CHEROKEE LETTER LE
13B5
         CHEROKEE LETTER LI
13B6
     G
         CHEROKEE LETTER LO
13B7
         CHEROKEE LETTER LU
13B8
         CHEROKEE LETTER LV
13B9
         CHEROKEE LETTER MA
     Ю
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         CHEROKEE LETTER ME
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         CHEROKEE LETTER MU
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         CHEROKEE LETTER HNA
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         CHEROKEE LETTER NAH
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         CHEROKEE LETTER NI
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13CE
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13CF
         CHEROKEE LETTER SI
13D0
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         CHEROKEE LETTER DO
13DA
         CHEROKEE LETTER DU
13DB
         CHEROKEE LETTER DV
13DC
         CHEROKEE LETTER DLA
13DD
     Ĺ
         CHEROKEE LETTER TLA
13DE
         CHEROKEE LETTER TLE
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13E0
         CHEROKEE LETTER TLO
13E1
         CHEROKEE LETTER TLU
13E2
         CHEROKEE LETTER TLV
13E3
         CHEROKEE LETTER TSA
     V
13E4
         CHEROKEE LETTER TSE
13E5
         CHEROKEE LETTER TSI
13E6
         CHEROKEE LETTER TSO
13E7
         CHEROKEE LETTER TSU
13E8
     C_{\mathbf{w}}^{\mathbf{w}}
         CHEROKEE LETTER TSV
13E9
         CHEROKEE LETTER WA
13EA
        CHEROKEE LETTER WE
13EB
         CHEROKEE LETTER WI
13EC
         CHEROKEE LETTER WO
13ED
         CHEROKEE LETTER WU
13EE
         CHEROKEE LETTER WV
     6
13EF
         CHEROKEE LETTER YA
13F0
         CHEROKEE LETTER YE
13F1
         CHEROKEE LETTER YI
13F2
         CHEROKEE LETTER YO
13F3
     C,
         CHEROKEE LETTER YU
13F4
     В
         CHEROKEE LETTER YV
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# Archaic upper-case syllable

13F5 G CHEROKEE LETTER MV

## Lower-case syllables

13F8	β	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YE
13F9	ふ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YI
13FA	А	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YO
13FB	G	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YU
13FC	В	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YV

# Archaic lower-case syllable

13FD G CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MV

CHEROKEE LETTER TLI

C

13DF

	AB7	AB8	AB9	ABA	ABB
0	D AB70	<b>Ի</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>ተ</b>	<b>Ӈ</b>
1	R AB71	Г AB81	<b>∫</b> AB91	ABA1	<b>1</b> 0 ABB1
2	T AB72	<b>O</b> - AB82	h AB92	R ABA2	Р
3	<b></b> АВ73	W AB83	Z AB93	L ABA3	С
4	O AB74	<b>б</b>	<b>1</b>	W ABA4	V
5	<b>i</b> AB75	<b>P</b>	<b>O</b> ~ AB95	S ABA5	<b>l</b> ∕1 ABB5
6	<b>S</b>	G AB86	Т <sub>АВ96</sub>	T ABA6	k ABB6
7	<b>Q</b> AB77	<b>M</b>	<b>О</b> AB97	<i>Ĵ</i> ABA7	<b>d</b>
8	<b>I</b> ~ AB78	<b>റ</b> AB88	<b>⊘</b> AB98	Д ABA8	C‰ ABB8
9	<b>У</b> АВ79	<b>♂</b> ^ AB89	<b>√</b> AB99	V ABA9	<b>G</b>
Α	А	Ol AB8A	€ AB9A	S ABAA	<b>Q</b> S ABBA
В	<b>]</b> AB7B	Н авав	<b>&amp;</b> AB9B	<b>бо</b>	O ABBB
С	Е	<b>5</b>	<del>U</del> AB9C	& ABAC	Q) ABBC
D	<b>o</b> <del>↓</del> AB7D	<b>y</b> AB8D	OT AB9D	L	9 abbd
E	AB7E	O AB8E	<b>4</b> 1 AB9E	L	6 ABBE
F	<b>Д</b> AB7F	ţ AB8F	Ь	С	ABBF

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The upper-case Cherokee syllables are encoded at U+13A0-13FF. Lower-case ye, yi, yo, yu, yv, and mv are encoded in that same block.

# Lower-case syllables

LOW	CI	-case syllables
AB70	D	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER A
AB71	R	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER E
AB72	Т	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER I
AB73	ð	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER O
AB74	9	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER U
AB75		
	i	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER V
AB76	S	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GA
AB77	Ø	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER KA
AB78	ŀ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GE
AB79	У	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GI
AB7A	Α	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GO
AB7B	J	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GU
AB7C	E	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER GV
AB7D	₩	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HA
AB7E	Ç	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HE
AB7F	Э	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HI
AB80	ŀ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HO
AB81	Γ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HU
AB82	<b>O</b>	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HV
AB83	W	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER LA
AB84	$\delta$	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER LE
AB85	P	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER LI
AB86	G	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER LO
AB87	M	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER LU
AB88	ą	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER LV
AB89	<u>የ</u> ~	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MA
AB8A	Ю	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER ME
AB8B	Н	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MI
AB8C	5	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MO
AB8D	У	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER MU
AB8E	Θ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NA
AB8F	ե	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER HNA
AB90	G	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NAH
AB91	Λ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NE
AB92	h	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NI
AB93	Z	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NO
AB94	ą	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NU
AB95	0~	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER NV
AB96	I	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER QUA
AB97	Ŋ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER QUE
AB98	P	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER QUI
AB99	V	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER QUO
AB9A	(D)	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER QUU
AB9B	8	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER OUV
AB9C	Н	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER SA
AB9D	Go	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER S
AB9E	4	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER SE
AB9F		CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER SI
	Ь	
ABA0	ł	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER SO
ABA1	જ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER SU
ABA2	R	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER SV
ABA3	ι	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DA
ABA4	W	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TA
ABA5	8	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DE
ABA6	J	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TE
ABA7	λ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DI
ABA8	Я	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TI
ABA9	V	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TO
ABAA		CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DU
	S	
ABAB	რ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DV
ABAC	å	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER DLA
ABAD	L	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLA
ABAE	L	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLE

ABAF	C	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLI
ABB0	Ð	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLO
ABB1	T	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLU
ABB2	P	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TLV
ABB3	G	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSA
ABB4	V	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSE
ABB5	И	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSI
ABB6	k	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSO
ABB7	d	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSU
ABB8	C	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER TSV
ABB9	G	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WA
ABBA	09	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WE
ABBB	0	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WI
ABBC	ಲ	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WO
ABBD	9	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WU
ABBE	6	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER WV
ABBF	<b>a</b>	CHEROKEE SMALL LETTER YA

### A. Administrative

1. Title

## Revised proposal for the addition of Cherokee characters to the UCS

2. Requester's name

## Michael Everson, Durbin Feeling

3. Requester type (Member body/Liaison/Individual contribution)

#### Individual contribution.

4. Submission date

#### 2014-02-22

- 5. Requester's reference (if applicable)
- 6. Choose one of the following:

6a. This is a complete proposal

Ves.

6b. More information will be provided later

No.

## B. Technical – General

1. Choose one of the following:

1a. This proposal is for a new script (set of characters)

No.

1b. Proposed name of script

1c. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block

Yes

1d. Name of the existing block

## Cherokee, and a new Cherokee Supplement block

2. Number of characters in proposal

87 (7, 80).

3. Proposed category (A-Contemporary; B.1-Specialized (small collection); B.2-Specialized (large collection); C-Major extinct; D-Attested extinct; E-Minor extinct; F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic; G-Obscure or questionable usage symbols)

#### Category A.

4a. Is a repertoire including character names provided?

Yes.

4b. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character naming guidelines" in Annex L of P&P document?

Yes.

4c. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review?

Yes.

5a. Who will provide the appropriate computerized font (ordered preference: True Type, or PostScript format) for publishing the standard?

## Michael Everson.

5b. If available now, identify source(s) for the font (include address, e-mail, ftp-site, etc.) and indicate the tools used:

## Michael Everson, Fontographer.

6a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts etc.) provided?

Yes.

6b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspapers, magazines, or other sources) of proposed characters attached? **Yes.** 

7. Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processing (if applicable) such as input, presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please enclose information)?

8. Submitters are invited to provide any additional information about Properties of the proposed Character(s) or Script that will assist in correct understanding of and correct linguistic processing of the proposed character(s) or script. Examples of such properties are: Casing information, Numeric information, Currency information, Display behaviour information such as line breaks, widths etc., Combining behaviour, Spacing behaviour, Directional behaviour, Default Collation behaviour, relevance in Mark Up contexts, Compatibility equivalence and other Unicode normalization related information. See the Unicode standard at http://www.unicode.org for such information on other scripts. Also see Unicode Character Database http://www.unicode.org/Public/UNIDATA/UnicodeCharacterDatabase.html and associated Unicode Technical Reports for information needed for consideration by the Unicode Technical Committee for inclusion in the Unicode Standard.

See above.

## C. Technical – Justification

1. Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before? If YES, explain.

## No.

2a. Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body, user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)?

Yes.

2b. If YES, with whom?

# Roy Boney, David Crawler, Durbin Feeling, Sarah Holcomb, Sherry Holcomb, John Ross, Anna Sixkiller, Dennis Sixkiller, Pauline Teehee, Candessa Tehee.

2c. If YES, available relevant documents

3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example: size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included?

## Cherokee speakers and writers.

4a. The context of use for the proposed characters (type of use; common or rare)

## Used historically and in modern editions.

4b. Reference

5a. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community?

Yes.

5b. If YES, where?

## Various publications, though the use has been limited by the lack of availability of capital letters.

6a. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document must the proposed characters be entirely in the BMP?

6b. If YES, is a rationale provided?

6c. If YES, reference

7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattered)?

#### No.

8a. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing character or character sequence?

#### No.

8b. If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?

8c. If YES, reference

9a. Can any of the proposed characters be encoded using a composed character sequence of either existing characters or other proposed characters?

#### No.

9b. If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?

No.

9c. If YES, reference

10a. Can any of the proposed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance or function) to an existing character?

No.

10b. If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?

10c. If YES, reference

11a. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences (see clauses 4.12 and 4.14 in ISO/IEC 10646-1: 2000)?

## No.

11b. If YES, is a rationale for such use provided?

11c. If YES, reference

11d. Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provided?

## No.

11e. If YES, reference

12a. Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as control function or similar semantics?

## No.

12b. If YES, describe in detail (include attachment if necessary)

13a. Does the proposal contain any Ideographic compatibility character(s)?

No.

13b. If YES, is the equivalent corresponding unified ideographic character(s) identified?