



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A COMMENDATION

WHEREAS: The Inaugural Cherokee Pignic will be held in Canton, Georgia October 19-20, 2007. The Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the event which is coordinated by Leadership Cherokee Alumni and dedicated volunteers; and

WHEREAS: The Cherokee Pignic is a sanctioned event by the Kansas City Barbeque Society (KCBS) and, as such, it will bring contestants, judges, and barbeque enthusiasts from across the Southeast. Dozens of professional teams and backyard amateurs shall compete for over \$11,000.00 in prizes; and

WHEREAS: The Cherokee Pignic's commitment to excellence has already been recognized by the Big Green Egg Company to participate in its *50 Egg Club* promotion; and

WHEREAS: The grand champion of the Cherokee Pignic, a KCBS state championship event, shall receive an invitation to represent Georgia in the prestigious American Royal Invitational, a tradition with a history tracing back to 1899; and

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby commend the

CHEROKEE PIGNIC.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13th day of September, 2007.



Sonny Perdue
GOVERNOR

ATTEST
Ed F. Holcombe
CHIEF OF STAFF