



## CHEROKEE NATION

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Re: Payne-Butrick Manuscripts

Dear Dr. Anderson,

Your proposal to prepare an accurate typescript with annotations to explain the meanings, and compare contrast and expand information found in the Payne-Butrick Manuscripts is exciting to students of Cherokee history and shares a literary treasure with the Cherokees. There is no better record for the Cherokees to understand themselves, their history, the impact of the white world, and their position in society today than the historical record captured in part by the Payne-Butrick Manuscripts.

You have the full support of the Cherokee Nation in your proposal and we encourage such an endeavor.

Yours,

  
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