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Oct. 15 1880.

To The General Council.

Your committee
to whom was referred the particular
recommendation in the Chief's Message
in regard to changing the Constitution
to exclude District officers of course
beg to report the following resolutions

Sect 1st
2 Be it resolved by the General Council
3 of the Choctaw Nation assembled;
4 That the following amendments
5 to the Constitution are hereby proposed
6 to be submitted to the people for
7 ratification or rejection according to
8 art. 9 of the Constitution viz;
9 Art. 5 Section 1st shall be amended to
10 read as follows. The supreme
11 executive power of the Choctaw Nation
shall be vested in one Principal
Chief, who shall hold his office
for the term of two years from the
time of instalation. But he shall
not ~~be~~ eligible for the same office
for more than two term in succession
Art. 5 Section 2^d shall be amended

To read as follows; The Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation shall be elected by the qualified electors of the Choctaw ^{Nation} on the first Wednesday in August Eighteen Hundred and Sixty, and every two years thereafter.

Art. 5 Section 5 shall be entirely Stricken out.

Art. 5 Section 6 and 12 shall have the words "or District Chief" ~~str~~ Stricken out and the word Chief inserted instead.

Art. 5 Section 13 shall be entirely Stricken out.

Art. 5 Section 14 The latter clause shall be entirely Stricken out.

Art. 7 Section 2 The words "or subordinate Chief" shall be Stricken out.

Art. 7 Section 5 The words "District Chiefs" shall be Stricken out.

Sect. 2^d Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the National Secretary to submit the above proposed amendments to the qualified electors of this ^{Nation} at ^{least} four months preceding next ^{required} general election by giving public

notice of the same throughout this Nation.

Sect. 3^d

Be it further ^{enacted} That at said election those voting for the above and foregoing amendment shall endorse on their ticket "for amendment" those opposed "against amendment."

Sect. 4th

Be it further enacted. That the votes on said amendment and National officers shall be recorded on the same Poll Book as provided by the laws in the election of National officers and forwarded as the Constitution requires.

Sect. 5th

Be it further enacted, And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage Your committee therefore beg to be relieved from further duty on this subject

Respectfully

Benj Wesley

Chairman Committee
on Judiciary

J. B. Jackson
Secretary

Bill No. 5.

Amendment to the
Constitution

Laid over for further
Consideration

Oct 21/80

Nelson McKay

President pro tempore

Passed the Senate
with the amendment

Oct 22/80

Nelson McKay

President pro tempore

Passed the House

Oct 22

1880

B. J. Smallwood

Speaker

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Where the words Principal Chief occurs
Strike out and insert in stead there of the
word Governor