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# CHEROKEE COUNTY STATE OF GEORGIA

#### GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT

To: Honorable Ellen McElyea

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Cherokee County, Georgia

Honorable M. Anthony Baker

Judge, Superior Court Cherokee County, Georgia Honorable David L. Cannon, Jr.

Judge, Superior Court

Cherokee County, Georgia

Honorable Shannon Wallace

Judge, Superior Court

Cherokee County, Georgia

We, the members of the Grand Jury, chosen and sworn to serve the January 2023 Term of the Superior Court of Cherokee County, hereby submit the following report and recommendations.

We, the January 2023 Term Grand Jury, heard 200 Bills of Indictment, returned 200 True Bills and 0 No Bill.

# Presentment 1

We, the January 2023 Grand Jury, commend Superior Court Bailiffs, Linda Wolfe and Jim Harris, for their diligent assistance in arranging materials for the Grand Jury proceedings, managing the schedule for cases to be presented, coordinating Grand Jury payroll and ensuring that all of the Grand Jury proceedings ran smoothly.

# Presentment 2

We, the January 2023 Grand Jury, commend Acting District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway, each of her Assistant District Attorneys and staff members, and each law enforcement officer and investigator associated with the cases brought before this Grand Jury for their professionalism and hard work in protecting the citizens of Cherokee County.

### Presentment 3

We, the January 2023 Grand Jury, commend Sheriff Frank Reynolds and his court staff for their excellent work in maintaining juror safety within the judicial complex.

We, the Grand Jury, further express our sincere appreciation to Sheriff Frank Reynolds, Chief Deputy Thomas Pinyan, Captain Kevin Cox, Captain Irene Ruiz. Lieutenant Laura Denson and Deputy William Foster for hosting an informative tour of the Cherokee County Adult Detention Center. We, the Grand Jury, inspected the roll call room, back sally port, booking/intake

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area, laundry, kitchen, staff dining, day room and new tower, to include male and female housing units. Overall, we found the areas we visited to be clean, orderly and effectively managed. We, the Grand Jury, additionally found the assortment of programs offered to inmates to be more than adequate to support the needs of the facility.

We, the Grand Jury, make the following recommendations:

Recommendation 1: Additional mental health resources provided to inmates by the state.

<u>Recommendation 2</u>: Additional medical facility to coincide with the increase in inmate population.

# Presentment 4

We, the January 2023 Grand Jury, express our thanks to the Honorable Judge David Cannon, Jr. for his professionalism and informative empanelment of this Grand Jury.

# Presentment 5

We, the January 2023 Grand Jury, express our appreciation to the Cherokee County Water & Sewerage Authority for the work they do for the citizens of Cherokee County. On February 13, 2023, Acting District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway provided this Grand Jury with the CCWSA Annual Comprehensive Financial Report dated August 31, 2022. We, the Grand Jury, reviewed the Report on February 13, 2023 and find the Report to be in good order and make no recommendations as a result of our review.

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of April, 2023.

Patrick Dirrim

Grand Jury Foreperson

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# <u>ORDER</u>

It is ordered that the within and foregoing Grand Jury Presentment having been read and considered, the same be filed.

It is further ordered that a copy of the Grand Jury Presentment, along with a copy of this Order, be sent to the Cherokee Tribune for publication and the usual fees paid thereon.

This the May of April, 2023.

Judg, Superior Court
Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit