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NEW NOVEL CELEBRATES CHOCTAW CODE TALKERS OF WORLD WAR I DURING 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Durant, OKLAHOMA, October 9, 2018—The first novel written about the Choctaw Code Talkers of World War I is releasing October 2018 for the centennial of these original Code Talkers and the subsequent end of the war on November 11, 1918.

People are amazed and intrigued when they hear this little known American history. Author Sarah Elisabeth Sawyer drew from on-location research in Oklahoma and the former battlefields in France; military records; and descendants' memories to write *Anumpa Warrior: Choctaw Code Talkers of World War I.* The novel brings out the power of cultural preservation, forgiveness, and the resilience of the Choctaw people. Audiences come away with a sense of understanding, deeply satisfied with discovering this shared history.

From the back cover—With the Allies building toward the greatest offensive drive of the war, the American Expeditionary Forces face a superior enemy who intercepts their messages and knows their every move. Can the solution come from a people their own government stripped of culture and language?

"This is such a great story that needed to be told and shared with the world. Sarah's eloquent style and words give it so much life and spirit. Her book left me with a very strong, uplifting message."—
Jeffrey Aarnio, former superintendent, American Battle Monuments Commission

Author bio—Sarah Elisabeth Sawyer is an award-winning inspirational author, speaker and Choctaw storyteller. The Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian honored her as a literary artist through their Artist Leadership Program for her work in preserving Choctaw Trail of Tears stories. She writes from her hometown in Texas, partnering with her mother, Lynda Kay Sawyer, in continued research for future projects.

For purchase information, full press kit, info on the book launch event October 27, or to request an interview with the author, email me@sarahelisabethwrites.com or visit www.NativeCodeTalkers.com.