

**The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL
of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES**

NUMBER 97-15

**Amendment to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act
of 1996**

WHEREAS,

the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes is an organization which unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole Nations, representing over 300,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS,

The Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes strongly supports the Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) in their efforts to advocate for technical amendments to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA) of 1996. This should allow access to funding sources currently barred by this legislation, and

WHEREAS,

The TDHEs should be allowed to compete with any organization to secure funding in addition to the block grant allocations under this grant, and

WHEREAS,

Competition maximizes efficiency of service delivery, and

WHEREAS,

TDHEs have the administrative capability to provide services in areas that would otherwise be un-served.

CERTIFICATION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes request that technical amendments be passed by the U.S. Congress allowing TDHEs to compete for available funds beyond the restrictions imposed by NAHASDA of 1996.

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting held at Arrowhead Resort, Canadian, Oklahoma on March 11, 1997, by a vote of 25 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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