

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

NUMBER 97-25

Resolution of Endorsement

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 leaders of the member tribes have always assumed a leadership role in providing quality health care for their citizens, and

WHEREAS,

40 percent of the eligible population receiving health care services within the geographic area of the Five Civilized Tribes is afflicted with diabetes, and this malady creates long term disability and eventually death, and

WHEREAS,

The partnership between the Chickasaw Nation and Yale University will provide specialization and consultation in diabetes management to improve care and reduce and development of diabetes and its related complications, and

WHEREAS,

The Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes supports the efforts of the Chickasaw Nation and Yale University to improve health care for tribal citizens with diabetes and related complications.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes hereby endorses and wholeheartedly supports the partnership between the Chickasaw Nation and Yale University to provide specialized diabetes management and improved care for Native Americans afflicted with the disease of diabetes, and encourages other agencies, organizations and institutions to join in that support.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting held at Sulphur, Oklahoma on October 10, 1997, by a vote of 25 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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