

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

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**A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA'S
WESTERN HISTORY COLLECTIONS PROPOSAL TO THE NATIONAL
ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES TO MICROFILM THE FIVE TRIBES
COLLECTIONS.**

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 400,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS,

THE university of Oklahoma Libraries' Western History Collections (WHC) is known internationally for its holdings of materials relating to Native Americans, and

WHEREAS,

Among the WHC's manuscript holdings are 110 collections that are entirely or partially related to the Five Civilized Tribes (Cherokee, Choctaw, Creek, Seminole and Chickasaw), and

WHEREAS,

These materials are supplemented by collections of letters, memoirs, and reminiscences of missionaries, army officers, government employees, and homesteaders who lived in Indian Territory, and

WHEREAS,

The WHC is establishing a partnership with various Oklahoma tribal entities for the purpose of preserving related historical documents.

WHEREAS,

A microfilm edition of these collections would be a useful and desirable product for all concerned.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes hereby endorsed the University of Oklahoma's Western History Collections proposal to the National Endowment of the Humanities to microfilm the Five Tribes collections for the purpose of preservation and research.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma meeting at the Pontotoc County Agriplex in Ada, Oklahoma on April 7, 2000, by a vote of 21 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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Seminole Nation

Jefferson Keal Signed for
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