

# The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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## *A Resolution Supporting NAHASDA Negotiated Rulemaking*

### Resolution No. 13-07

**WHEREAS,** the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes (ITC) is an organization that unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole nations, representing over 500,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and,

**WHEREAS,** the ITC recognizes the significant role that the Native American Housing and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA) plays in the wellbeing of Individual Tribal Members and Indian Families; and is the baseline for the Nations to exercise sovereignty in providing safe, decent, and affordable housing for low income natives, and,

**WHEREAS,** the ITC understands that there is a Negotiated Rulemaking process for NAHASDA formula allocations of funding, and to legislate changes to the NAHASDA funding formula undermines the government-to-government relationship between tribes and the federal government, and,

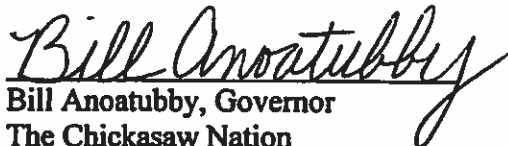
**WHEREAS,** the ITC understands the NAHASDA formula is complex and legislating changes to the formula may cause unforeseen harm to tribes and their members, and,

**WHEREAS,** the ITC also understands the Negotiated Rulemaking process is consensus based, ensuring that all tribal interests may be fairly voiced, and legislating changes to the NAHASDA formula strips tribes of the opportunity to engage one another openly and respectfully.


**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes urges Congress to refrain from implementing changes to the NAHASDA allocation formula during the NAHASDA reauthorization process and encourage tribes to negotiate proposed changes transparently and in good faith at Negotiated Rulemaking.


**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Durant, Oklahoma on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2013, by a vote of All in favor for none against and 0 abstentions.

  
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