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



Bill John Baker **Principal Chief** 

## A Resolution to request that the House of Representatives not Accept Funding Cuts to the Older American Act Title VI

## Resolution No. 16-21



**Bill Anoatubby** Governor

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 more than 650,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the ITC recognizes the broad range of services to older Native Americans that the Older Americans Act Title VI Native American Nutrition and Supportive Services Programs provide through grants to tribal organizations,

WHEREAS, the Title VI program provides support to older Native Americans, including adult day care; transportation; congregate and home-delivered meals; information and referral, personal care, chore and other supportive services, to 264 eligible entities;

WHEREAS, the Senate Appropriations Committee voted to cut \$5 million in funding from the Older Americans Act Title VI programs which will reduce the program from \$31,158,000 down to \$26,158,000

WHEREAS, the proposed funding cut will impede the progress made in Nutrition and Home and Community -Based Supportive Services to the tribal organizations most vulnerable populations, the Native Elder

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes is in support of the House of Representatives not accepting funding cuts to the Older American Act Title VI.





James R. Floyd **Principal Chief** 

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Norman, Oklahoma on this 8th day of July, 2016, by a vote of for against and abstentions.

Bill Anoatubby, Governor The Chickasaw Nation

James R. Floyd, Principal Chief

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Leonard M. Harjo **Principal Chief** 

> Gary Batton, Chief Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Leonard M. Harjo, Principal Chief Seminole Nation of Oklahoma

Bill John Baker, Principal Chief

Cherokee Nation