

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution Congratulating The Honorable Deb Haaland on her confirmation as Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior

Resolution No. 21-12

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes (ITC) is an organization that unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, and Muscogee (Creek), representing more than 780,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Deb Haaland, a citizen of the Laguna Pueblo, was selected by President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris and confirmed by the United States Senate as the United States Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes congratulates Secretary Haaland on this historic and monumental appointment as the first American Indian to serve in the Presidential Cabinet and first to serve as the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, Secretary Haaland is uniquely qualified to and a fierce advocate for Indian Country. She continues to serve as a champion on issues brought forth by the Five Tribes; and

WHEREAS, Secretary Haaland's entire career has focused on strengthening tribal sovereignty, protecting and defending natural resources, and expanding protections for Native women and children; and

WHEREAS, having Secretary Haaland's expertise leading the Department of the Interior will greatly benefit all of Indian Country, including the Five Tribes; and

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes congratulates the historic seating of The Honorable Deb Haaland as the United States Secretary of the Interior.



Chuck Hoskin Jr
Principal Chief



Bill Anoatubby
Governor



Gary Batton
Chief



David W. Hill
Principal Chief

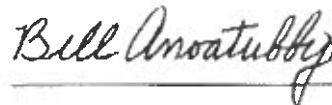
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CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting virtually on this 9th day of April, 2021, by a vote of 18 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.



Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation



Bill Anoatubby, Governor
The Chickasaw Nation



Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma



David Hill, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation