

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

**A RESOLUTION OF THE INTER-TRIBAL
COUNCIL OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES**

NUMBER 96-18

**Title: OPPOSING THE ELIMINATION OF THE INDIAN
ARTS AND CRAFTS BOARD (IACB)**

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 Indian Arts and Crafts Board is the primary advocate for American Indian and Alaska Native Art and has inter-connected purposes; economic, cultural, social, and spiritual, while concentrating on long term economic benefits to tribes and tribal members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized oppose the elimination of the Indian Arts and Crafts Board (IACB); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the position of the Inter-Tribal Council is that without the IACB the federal government will no longer have the capacity to provide Arts and Crafts assistance to the 554 federally recognized tribes and their thousands of artists and crafts people.

CERTIFICATION

ADOPTED by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting held at Fountain Head Resort, Eufaula, Oklahoma on this 12th day of July, 1996, by a vote of 25 for, 0 Against, and 0 Abstentions.

Joe Byrd Signed
Joe Byrd, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

Greg E. Pyle Signed for
Hollis Roberts, Chief
Choctaw Nation

Perry Beaver Signed
Perry Beaver, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Jerry Haney Signed
Jerry Haney, Principal Chief
Seminole Nation

Bill Anoatubby Signed
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Chickasaw Nation