

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

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

NUMBER 96-30

**Support for Indian Adult Education by establishment of permanent line item**

**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,**

Through federal executive treaty rights, established policy and legal precedent, the United States government has acknowledged its trust responsibility to promote the academic education of Indian people; and

**WHEREAS,**

Adult Education has a direct relationship to the quality of family life; and

**WHEREAS,**

Statistics indicate that the education level of a mother is the best indicator of a child's success in school and supports the belief that Adult Education needs to be a high priority.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,**

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes support funding for Indian Adult Education and related support services by promoting the establishment of a permanent line item for funding Indian Adult Education through the department of Education.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes call upon Congress of the United States and the Clinton administration to honor the Nation's treaty obligations to act upon and reaffirm their trust responsibility to Indian Nations by taking affirmative measure to sufficiently fund educational programs, established or to be established, for the benefit of Indian people.

## CERTIFICATION

**ADOPTED** by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting held at Sulphur, Oklahoma on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1996, by a vote of 25 for, 0 Against, and 0 Abstentions.

J. Garland Eagle Signed for  
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