

**The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL
Of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES**
Organized February 3, 1980

**Resolution in support of Opposing of the Elimination of FY '96 Funding
For Safe and Drug-Free School Programs**

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes is an organization which unites the tribal governments of the Choctaw, Chickasaw, Muscogee (Creek), Seminole and Cherokee nations, representing over 300,000 Indian People throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes recognizes the need for Opposing the Elimination of FY '96 Funding for Safe and Drug-Free School Programs; and

WHEREAS, that the Safe and Drug-Free School Programs are established to reduce use/abuse of alcohol and other drugs and provides safe facilities and an environment conducive to learning; and

WHEREAS, that the Federal Government as a special and continuing obligation to provide Safe and Drug-Free Programs to Serve Indian children; and

WHEREAS, the rescission bill currently before the House of Representatives called for elimination of funding for the Safe and Drug-Free School Programs,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that opposition by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes to the elimination of funding for Safe and Drug-Free School Programs be made known.

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Washington, D.C. on this 7th, day of **April, 1995**, by a vote of 23 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

Signed by Wilma P. Mankiller
Wilma P. Mankiller, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

Signed by Governor Bill Anoatubby
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Chickasaw Nation

Signed by Bill Fife
Bill Fife, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Signed by Jerry Haney
Jerry Haney, Principal Chief
Seminole Nation

Signed by Hollis Roberts
Hollis Roberts, Chief
Choctaw Nation