

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

NUMBER 99-11

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 tribes of Oklahoma are uniquely divided into general allotment tribes, mostly on the western side, and non-general allotment tribes mostly on the eastern side; and

WHEREAS,

There are 39 federally recognized tribes in Oklahoma, and

WHEREAS,

The process of identifying documents pertaining to trust and restricted allotments has become very burdensome and time consuming for individual citizens; and

WHEREAS,

This process can be assisted by technical advice from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and from tribal offices.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes will support each tribe's initiative to work with individual tribal citizens to collect documents pertaining to their IIM records.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting on April 9, 1999, by a vote of 24 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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Joe Byrd, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

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Seminole Nation

Bill Anoatubby Signed
Bill Anoatubby, Governor

Chickasaw Nation