



The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution Commending Secretary Jewell and President Obama for the Executive Order Creating the White House Council on Native American Affairs

Resolution No. 13-25



WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes (ITC) is an organization that unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole Nations, representing over 500,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and,



WHEREAS, on June 26, 2013, President Barack Obama signed an Executive Order creating the White House Council on Native American Affairs; and,



WHEREAS, This Council will be comprised of Cabinet-level officials, led by U.S. Department of Interior Secretary Sally Jewell, to “promote and sustain prosperous and resilient Native American tribal government”; and,



WHEREAS, President Obama’s Executive Order represents a step forward to strengthen nation-to-nation relationship, will increase respect for the trust responsibility and facilitate the proficient delivery of government services; and,

WHEREAS, The Executive Order represents an important commitment to effective tribal policy development, increased engagement with tribal nations and Indian peoples, and effective and efficient consultation; and,

WHEREAS, Consultation is an important first step in the direction toward free, informed, and prior consent; and,

WHEREAS, We, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes, look forward to working with President Obama and Secretary Jewell to continue to build a promising future where tribes are celebrated; and,

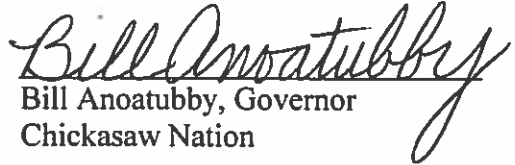
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes commend President Obama and Secretary Jewell for the Executive Order creating the White House Council on Native American Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Sulphur, Oklahoma on this 17th day of July, 2013, by a vote of 21 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.



Bill John Baker, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation



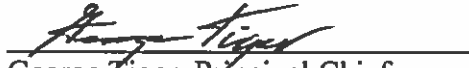
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Chickasaw Nation



Gregory E. Pyle, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma



Leonard M. Harjo, Principal Chief
Seminole Nation of Oklahoma



George Tiger, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation