

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES



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A Resolution Urging Congress to Fully Encompass a New Farm Bill

Resolution No. 13-34

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, the ITC recognizes the important role that food, agriculture, and nutrition play in the social and economic well being of Indian communities; and,

WHEREAS, the ITC is made up of tribal governments that each have roles and responsibilities in ensuring their citizens have access to healthy and nutritious food; and,

WHEREAS, the ITC tribes acknowledge that there currently exists a shutdown of the federal government; and,


WHEREAS, the ITC tribes acknowledge that there currently is not a Farm Bill in place, the previously enacted Farm Bill having expired without further action by Congress, and such lapsed Farm Bill in addition to the government shutdown has caused negative impacts in the administration of all USDA programs.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes urge Congress to immediately pass a new fully encompassing Farm Bill.

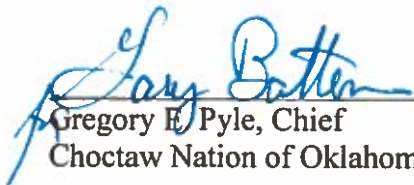
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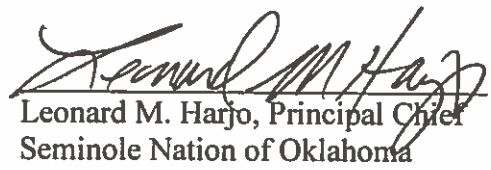
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma on this 11th day of October, 2013, by a vote of 20 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


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