

A Resolution Endorsing Oklahoma Legislation Designating the Oklahoma Native American Liaison as the Secretary of Native American Affairs

Resolution No. 14-02



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Principal Chief



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Governor



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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, proposed state legislation would amend 74 O.S. 2011, Sections 10.3, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 127, O.S.L. 2012 AND 10.5 (74 O.S. Supp. 2013, Section 10.3), which relate to the cabinet system; providing for a Native American issues cabinet area; designating the Oklahoma Native American Liaison as the cabinet Secretary; and,

WHEREAS, the state of Oklahoma has one of the largest Native American populations per capita in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the state of Oklahoma is home to thirty nine tribal governments; and,

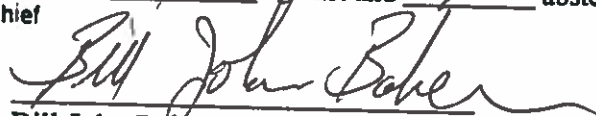
WHEREAS, sovereign tribal governments in the state of Oklahoma should have one point of contact with Oklahoma state leadership; and,


WHEREAS, this Council supports the proposed legislation to further cooperation between the state government and tribal governments; and,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes formally and enthusiastically endorses Oklahoma legislation designating the Oklahoma Native American Liaison as the Secretary of Native American Affairs.

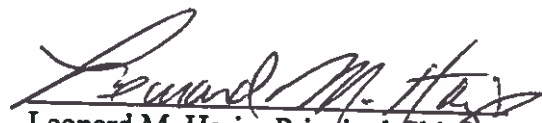
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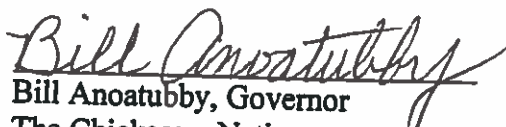
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma on this 10th day of January, 2014, by a vote of 21 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


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