

# The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

## *A Resolution of the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes Supporting the Oaks, a Residential Behavioral Health, Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment Facility to secure funding to expand its existing facility residential treatment services and to expand to full residential stand-alone facilities*



Bill John Baker  
Principal Chief

### Resolution No. 14-29



Bill Anoatubby  
Governor

**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



Gary Batton  
Principal Chief

**WHEREAS,** the OAKS is a fully certified and accredited community based drug addiction and alcoholism treatment facility providing comprehensive addiction treatment services within a multi-county area encompassing Central, Southeastern, and parts of Eastern Oklahoma with residential and outpatient care; and



George Tiger  
Principal Chief

**WHEREAS,** the OAKS provides services to the general population without regard to income, age, sex, race or national origin, many of whom are citizens of the Five Civilized Tribes in need of access to rural facilities and a culturally relevant and familiar residential setting; and



Leonard M. Harjo  
Principal Chief

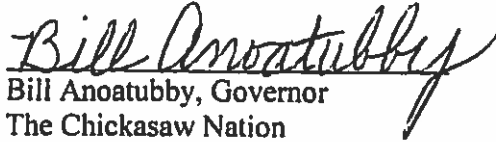
**WHEREAS,** the OAKS has established a plan to remodel a section of the facility called the **ANTI-ADDICTION AND POVERTY PROJECT (APP)** to create a **Specialized Addiction Treatment Training Center (SATTC)** that will provide immediate access to expanded residential treatment in the existing facility, and as a social entrepreneurial venture, the program will generate revenue that will enable the OAKS to earn capital to use as matching funds for public and private sources; and


**WHEREAS,** the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes works to improve the quality of life for all citizens in eastern Oklahoma in partnership with public and private service providers; local, county, state and federal agencies.


**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes endorses the OAKS plan to expand residential treatment facilities and services in eastern Oklahoma and calls upon the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation to submit appropriate legislation in the federal budget to enable **ANTI-ADDICTION AND POVERTY PROJECT (APP)**.


CERTIFICATION


The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Durant, Oklahoma on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014, by a vote of 5 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.

  
Bill Anoatubby, Governor  
The Chickasaw Nation

  
George Tiger, Principal Chief  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

  
Gary Batton, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

  
Leonard M. Harjo, Principal Chief  
Seminole Nation of Oklahoma

  
Bill John Baker, Principal Chief  
Cherokee Nation