

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution Establishing Support For United National Indian Tribal

Resolution No. 16-07

PREAMBLE



Bill John Baker
Principal Chief



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Governor



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Chief



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Principal Chief



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We the members of the of The Inter-tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants rights secured under Indian Treaties, Executive Orders, and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and constitution of the United States and several states, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise to promote the welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution:

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 Inter-tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes are representatives of and advocates for national, regional, and specific tribal concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes is a regional organization comprised of American Indians/Alaska Natives and tribes in the state of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity, and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of the Inter-tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the United States has committed to working with tribes on a government-to-government basis to support sovereignty and self-determination; and

WHEREAS, the United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY) mission is to foster the spiritual, mental, physical and social development of American Indian and Alaska Native youth, and to help build a strong, unified, and self-reliant Native America through involvement of its youth; and

WHEREAS, UNITY will hold its 2016 National UNITY Conference commemorating 40 years of UNITY in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma from July 22 to July 26, 2016; and

WHEREAS, UNITY cannot complete its mission without the support of our American Indian/Alaska Native organizations and is appreciative of the Inter-tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes and the support of their youth and participation in the annual UNITY conferences; and

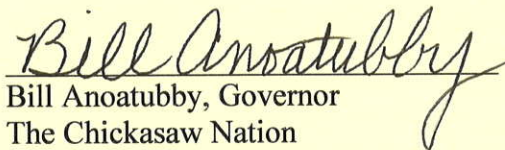
WHEREAS, Oklahoma Tribes and communities have historically worked together to collaborate and develop cooperative strategies to improve the overall education and youth-oriented goals of our Indian communities.

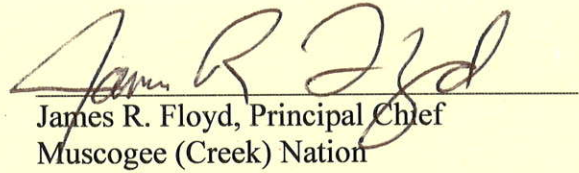
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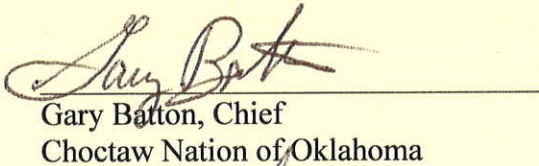
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes does hereby agree to support the efforts of UNITY, it's Local Planning Committee and encourages Member Tribes to attend, participate, offer support and sponsorship of UNITY's 2016 National Conference and 40th Anniversary celebration.

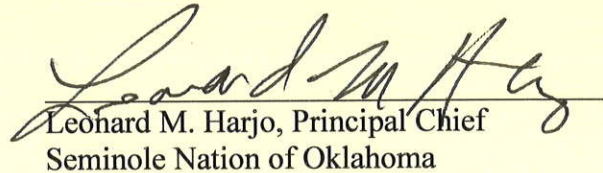
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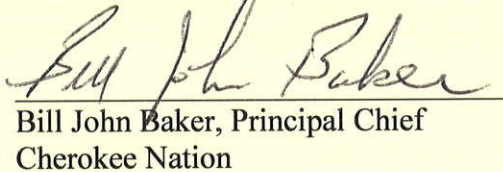
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Catoosa, Oklahoma on this 8th day of April, 2016, by a vote of all for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


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The Chickasaw Nation


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