

# The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

## *A Resolution Establishing Support for the Shawnee Tribe Casino Project in Guymon, Oklahoma, from the Inter-Tribal Council*

### Resolution No. 16-29



Bill John Baker  
Principal Chief



Bill Anoatubby  
Governor



Gary Batton  
Chief



James R. Floyd  
Principal Chief



Leonard M. Harjo  
Principal Chief

**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 more than 650,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** the Shawnee Tribe under the leadership of its Honorable Chief Ron Sparkman, has announced exciting plans to build and operate a first rate casino enterprise in Texas County in the Panhandle of Oklahoma; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Shawnee Tribe is one of the 39 tribes residing in Oklahoma; and

**WHEREAS,** the Shawnee Tribe is held in high esteem for preserving its unique history and its genuine dedication to creating a brighter future for its members; and

**WHEREAS,** the Shawnee Tribe will team with the highly respected Global Gaming Solutions to build and operate the casino enterprise near Guymon, Oklahoma; and

**WHEREAS,** the Shawnee Tribe desires to be an active, productive, and thoughtful member of the Oklahoma Panhandle community and has already demonstrated its willingness to partner with local organizations who share a like commitment to building better and stronger communities for all; and

**WHEREAS,** the Shawnee Tribe's casino project will bring substantial economic benefit to the Oklahoma Panhandle (greater diversification, robust tourism, quality jobs, increased capital and private investment); and

**WHEREAS,** the Shawnee Tribe's casino enterprise will elevate the economy by creating 175 new jobs and generating an annual payroll of \$3.7 million; and

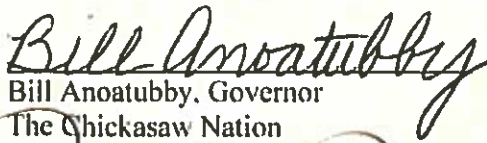
**WHEREAS,** because we recognize, appreciate, and respect the sincere efforts of the Shawnee Tribe to bring this project to life by converting the land into Trust for the building and operating of a quality 60,000 square foot casino enterprise.

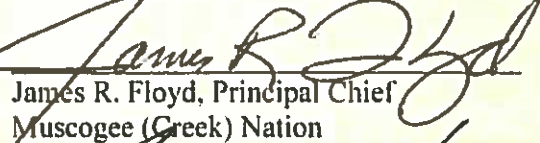
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the ITC is pleased to announce its enthusiastic support and unqualified endorsement of the Shawnee Tribe's Golden Mesa casino project in the Panhandle of Oklahoma.

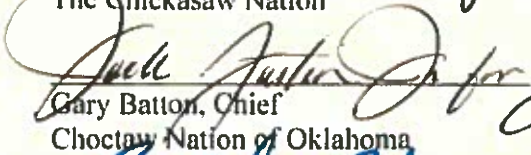
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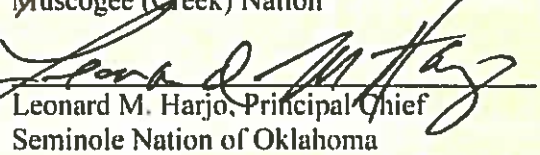
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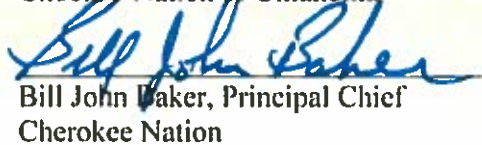
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Norman, Oklahoma on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016, by a vote of all for 0 against and 0 abstentions.

  
Bill Anoatubby, Governor  
The Chickasaw Nation

  
James R. Floyd, Principal Chief  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

  
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