

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution Urging renewal of the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education Act

Resolution No. 20-04



Chuck Hoskin Jr.
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 750,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and



Bill Anoatubby
Governor

WHEREAS, the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole Nations are Indian Nations dedicated to working with the state to build a public education system where Native students can thrive; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma enjoys a unique relationship with Tribal Nations located within the state, and, in light of this special relationship, Tribal Nations play a pivotal role in the state's educational system; and



Gary Batton
Chief

WHEREAS, Tribal Nations and Oklahoma recognized a need for collaboration more than a decade ago with passage of HB 2929, which formed the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education (OACIE); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the OACIE is to promote educational opportunities and improve the quality of education provided to Native Americans throughout the state; and



David W. Hill
Principal Chief

WHEREAS, the OACIE makes recommendations to the State Board of Education and the Superintendent of Public Instruction in educational matters affecting the education of Native American students, advocates for Native American students in the state, and monitors and evaluates how the public education system of this state impacts Native American students; and

WHEREAS, Tribal Nations recognize that such valuable collaboration should continue to ensure Native American students receive the same consideration.



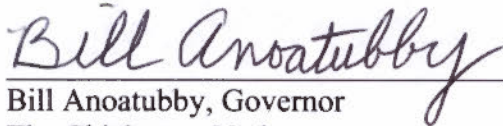
Greg P. Chilcoat
Chief

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes urges the Oklahoma legislature to renew the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education Act.

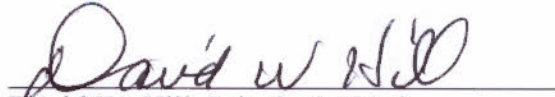
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CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Catoosa, Oklahoma on this 10th day of January, 2020, by a vote of 22 for 6 against and 0 abstentions.



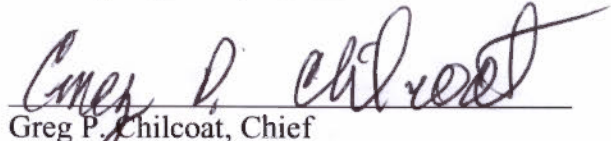
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