

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution Supporting a Permanent Tribal Waiver from the Build America, Buy America Act

Resolution No. 24-04



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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 Nation, representing approximately 815,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Management and Budget, Made in America Office is implementing the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA); a part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act passed on November 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, BABA requires the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States and the current BABA implementation extension is set to expire on May 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of BABA in Indian County will limit the ability for tribes to provide safe, decent and affordable housing in Indian Country by increasing construction costs, limiting our ability to procure affordable materials; and

WHEREAS, a permanent waiver will allow future development and continued success of tribes to meet housing needs.

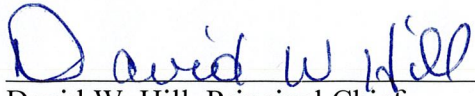
NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes request the Office of Management and Budget grant a permanent waiver under the Build America, Buy America Act for all tribal housing projects in Indian Country.

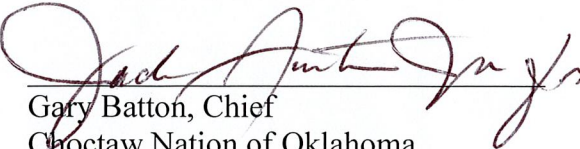
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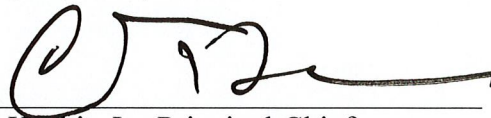
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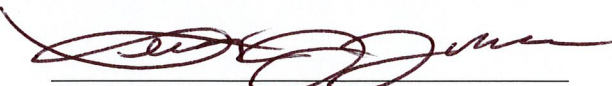
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Thackerville, Oklahoma on this 19th day of April, 2024, by a vote of 21 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


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