

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

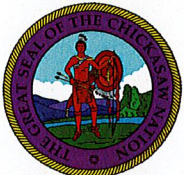
A Resolution Commending Oklahoma Advisory Council on American Indian Education and Supporting Initiatives to Promote American Indian Education Taught in Oklahoma Schools

Resolution No. 24-07



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



Bill Anoatubby
Governor

WHEREAS, a majority of primary school aged citizens of our Tribal Nations attend public schools in Oklahoma, comprising than 150,000 American Indian students in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma has 38 federally recognized tribes, all which are unique in culture and storied histories; and



Gary Bolton
Chief

WHEREAS, Oklahoma Advisory Council on American Indian Education (OACIE) continues to serve as a venue to promote strong collaborations and provide information on the needs of American Indian students, with members including state officials and representatives of Tribal Nations; and



David W. Hill
Principal Chief

WHEREAS, strong partnerships between Tribal Nations, tribal education departments, and the Oklahoma State Department of Education are essential for ensuring that Native American students have access to learning materials and other educational supports reflecting unique tribal cultures and backgrounds; and



Lewis J. Johnson
Chief

WHEREAS, these partnerships are essential in securing the best use of federal dollars and tribal contributions to Oklahoma public schools aimed at the advancement of American Indian students; and

WHEREAS, these partnerships should work to align curriculum from Tribal Nations in Oklahoma with state academic standards that will be made available and accessible to Oklahoma public schools; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that Tribal Nations be included to ensure the lessons on American Indian history and culture are accurate and that American Indian students receive culturally-appropriate treatment.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes commends the Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education for

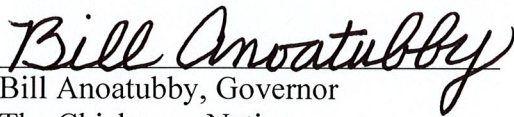
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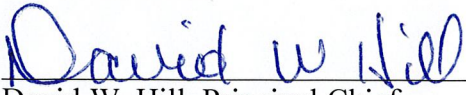
advocating for American Indian students and promoting educational opportunities to improve the quality of education to those American Indian students.

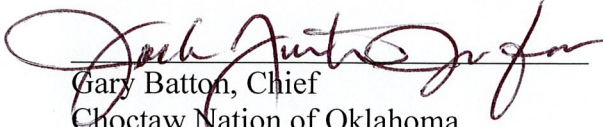
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes supports initiatives to advance accurate and culturally-appropriate American Indian education being taught in public schools throughout Oklahoma.


CERTIFICATION

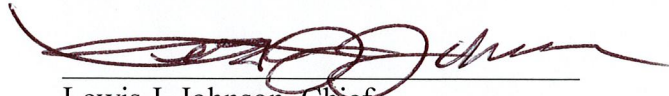
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Thackerville, Oklahoma on this 19th day of April, 2024, by a vote of 21 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


Bill Anoatubby, Governor
The Chickasaw Nation


David W. Hill, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation


Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma


Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation


Lewis J. Johnson, Chief
Seminole Nation of Oklahoma