

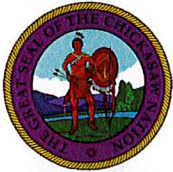
The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution Supporting a Federal Grant Application by the Native American Center for Cancer Health Equity at Stephenson Cancer Center

Resolution No. 24-14



Chuck Hoskin Jr.
Principal Chief



Bill Anoatubby
Governor



Gary Bolton
Chief



David W. Hill
Principal Chief



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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

WHEREAS, as Tribal Nations we are deeply committed to improving the health and well-being of our citizens, including by fighting cancer which continues to disproportionately impact Native Americans both in cancer incidence and mortality rates; and

WHEREAS, the Native American Center for Cancer Health Equity (NACCHE) at the University of Oklahoma's Stephenson Cancer Center (SCC) is proposing to establish the Improving Cancer Outcomes in Native American Communities (ICON) project through a grant by the National Institute on Minority and Health Disparities (NIMHD); and

WHEREAS, ICON would bring in indigenous investigators and community partners across all elements of the grant to support bidirectional, meaningful, generalizable, and tribally-engaged research studies; and

WHEREAS, promising research projects advanced within ICON include building on work to enhance care coordination and communication between the cancer center and Indian Health Service, Tribal, and urban Indian (ITU) facilities, assessing and improving responses to drinking water contamination by arsenic and uranium in Tribal communities, and increasing participation in lung cancer screening by Tribal citizens; and

WHEREAS, our member Nations will assist with the decision-making processes of ICON through directly informing the design of the research projects, as well as through the longstanding participation of our Tribal citizens in the SCC/NACCHE Tribal Advisory Council, which also serves as the overall advisory board for ICON;

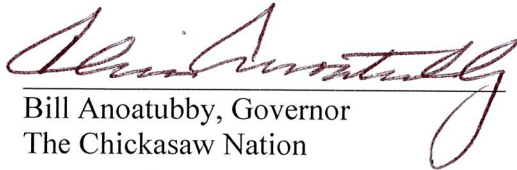
NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes strongly supports the Native American Center for Cancer Health Equity at Stephenson Cancer Center in its application titled *Improving Cancer Outcomes in Native American Communities*, submitted in response to the funding opportunity,

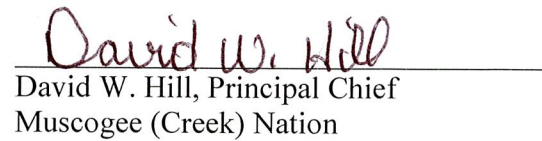
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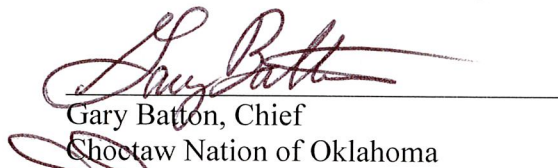
*NIMHD Initiative for Improving American Indian and Alaska Native Cancer Outcomes,
RFA-MD-24-009.*

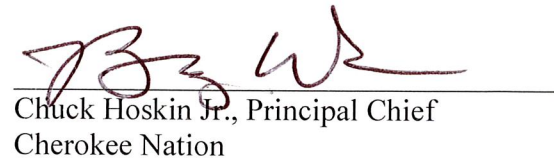
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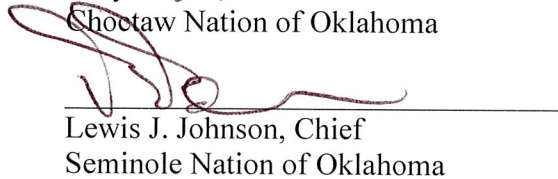
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Catoosa, Oklahoma on this 12th day of July, 2024, by a vote of 22 for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


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The Chickasaw Nation


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