

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES



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A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE NOMINATION OF CHEROKEE NATION TREASURER LACEY HORN TO THE UNITED STATES TREASURY TRIBAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 15-12

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 over 500,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and,

WHEREAS, federal tax policy impacts the individual tribal citizen and the development and operations of services and programming provided to tribal citizens and surrounding community members within the jurisdictions of the Five Civilized Tribes, and,

WHEREAS, the General Welfare Exculsion Act (GWE) amends the Internal Revenue Code to exclude the value of Indian general welfare benefit from an individual's gross income, for income tax purposes, where Indian general welfare is defined as any payment made or services provided to or on behalf of an Indian tribe under an Indian tribal government program, and,

WHEREAS, GWE also directs the Secretary of the Treasury to establish a Tribal Advisory Committee to advise on matters relating to the taxation of Indians, develop training requirements and education for Internal Revenue Service field agents related to Federal Indian law and the implementation of this act, and to suspend all audits of individual Indians and Indian tribes related to Indian general welfare benefits, and,

WHEREAS, the ITC recognizes the importance in the establishing the Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee and that it may influence future Indian taxation issues to benefit of all Indian individuals, all Indian tribes, and the Five Civilized Tribes, and,

WHEREAS, the ITC supports candidates who are Tribal leaders that have developed an astute financial and tax policy background as well as career expertise for one of the three appointments held by the Treasury, whose nominations are due April 28, 2015, and,

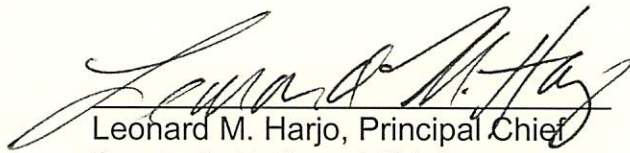
WHEREAS, the ITC has identified Lacey Horn as such a qualified candidate who leads all financial aspects for the Cherokee Nation including a broad array of general welfare programs, is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), who is also a Federal key advocate for the American Institute of CPAs, has previous career experience with Hunt Oil and KPMG, and was previously recognized by the Native American Finance Officers Association as the "Tribal Executive Officer of the Year – 2014," and,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ITC supports the nomination of Lacey Horn to the Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee.


THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ITC submit a nomination letter for the candidacy of Lacey Horn to the Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee, accompanied by this resolution.

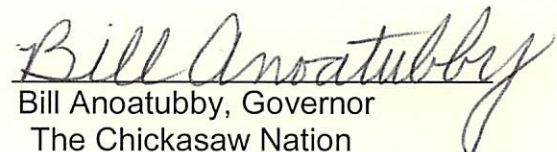
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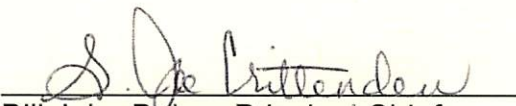
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Thackerville, Oklahoma on this 10th day of April, 2015, by a vote of all for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


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