

The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE OKLAHOMA NATIVE AMERICAN JUVENILE JUSTICE TASK FORCE IN DEVELOPING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE OKLAHOMA OFFICE OF JUVENILE AFFAIRS AND TRIBAL GOVERNMENTAL SYSTEMS



Bill John Baker
Principal Chief

Resolution No. 15-18

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



Bill Anoatubby
Governor

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Native American Juvenile Justice Task Force in their efforts to mitigate the impact of inherent bias and inequity of Native youth in the state juvenile justice system urges Oklahoma tribes to commit to future collaborative efforts to address these issues; and



Gary Batton
Principal Chief

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Office of Justice Affairs has designated tribal liaisons available to address issues confronting adjudicated Native youth and could collaborate with tribal court systems to meet the unique needs of at-risk Native youth; and



George Tiger
Principal Chief

WHEREAS, research and analysis of tribal juvenile justice systems which supports prevention, intervention, and reintegration into tribal communities is necessary for an equitable safety net for Native youth.



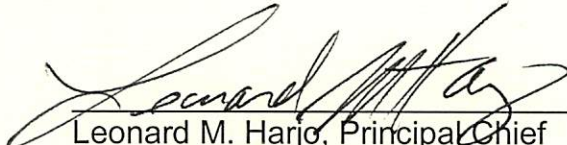
Leonard M. Harjo
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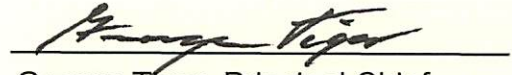
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes endorses and supports developing MOUs between the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs and tribal governmental systems of the Five Tribes to provide comprehensive, restorative justice programs.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes Council is in support of HB 1834, as it will empower tribes to assist tribal youth.

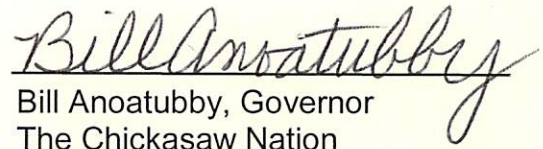
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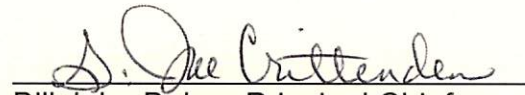
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Thackerville, Oklahoma on this 10th day of April, 2015, by a vote of all for 0 against and 0 abstentions.


Leonard M. Harjo, Principal Chief
Seminole Nation of Oklahoma


George Tiger, Principal Chief
Muscoogie (Creek) Nation


Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma


Bill Anoatubby, Governor
The Chickasaw Nation


FOR Bill John Baker, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation