The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution to Support Oklahoma Senate Bill 86 Protecting Local and Tribal Interest When Considering Bypass Development

Resolution No. 18-11

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 approximately 750,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, ITC is committed to economic development and prosperity of tribal and surrounding communities throughout the State of Oklahoma;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 86 ("Bill") will ensure the Oklahoma Department of Transportation follows appropriate infrastructure development process; and

WHEREAS, the Bill affords local constituents and citizens equitable access to planning and development of any future bypass development.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes supports Senate Bill 86 and encourages the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to consult with local Tribal Government when considering any bypass development and urge the Senate to pass the legislation as proposed.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Catoosa, Oklahoma on this 1st day of May, 2018, by a vote of 21 for ___ against and ___ abstentions.

Bill Anoatubby, Governor
The Chickasaw Nation

Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Bill John Baker, Principal Chief
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