The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

NUMBER 2000-19
A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE RACIAL & ETHNIC APPROACHES TO COMMUNITY HEALTH (REACH) PROGRAM

WHEREAS,
the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes is an organization which unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole Nations, representing over 400,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS,
The REACH Program has been established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to support improved health status for American Indians, and

WHEREAS,
The State of Oklahoma submitted a grant proposal to obtain funding and was awarded $1,119,666 to support this effort, and

WHEREAS,
Eight Tribes and one urban Indian center, were established as the Steering Committee and recipients of this funding, and the State Department of Health as the Contractor, and

WHEREAS,
Four members of this Steering Committee are member Tribes of the Inter-Tribal Council; Seminole, Cherokee, Chickasaw, and Choctaw, and

WHEREAS,
The State of Oklahoma cannot establish an advance payment system for distribution of this funding of this grant and it would cause undue financial hardship on some of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS,
It is important to maintain a relationship with the State of Oklahoma with importance given to tribal sovereignty, and

WHEREAS,
The member tribes of the Inter-Tribal Council support the efforts of the Steering Committee to request an alternate contractor other than the State of Oklahoma,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,
    That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma support the Steering Committee in finding an alternate contractor for the REACH grant.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma meeting at the Choctaw Community Center, McAlester, Oklahoma on 12th of October, 2000, by a vote of 25 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

Chadwick Smith Signed
Chadwick Smith, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

Greg E. Pyle Signed
Gregory E. Pyle, Chief
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Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Chickasaw Nation