Resolution #95-19

Resolution urging this Senate restore Indian Housing Authority Funding

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of the five Civilized Tribes is an organization which unites the tribal governments of the Choctaw, Chickasaw, Muscogee (Creek), Seminole and Cherokee nations, representing over 300,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget rescissions that are being debated by Congress would rescind FY 95 budget authority, which was previously authorized by Congress for the Housing Authority in the comprehensive Modernization Grant Program and housing operating subsidy; and

WHEREAS, the effect of these previously authorized funding cuts would result in the Housing Authority not being able to renovate and modernize individual housing units, currently occupied by tribal members; and

WHEREAS, Congress, by passage of budget authority for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in FY 95, did expressly assure these same tribal members be substantial rehabilitation of their homes; and

WHEREAS, by the recission of these budget amounts, the Congress of the United States of America, would effectively deny decent, safe and sanitary housing to those citizens most in need;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes hereby demands the congress of the United States of America in respect an abide by their previously authorized appropriations that would assist in assuring tribal members decent, safe and sanitary housing.

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Washington, D.C. on this 7th day of April, 1995, by a vote of 23 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

(Signed by Mary Flute-Cooksey for)____________________________
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