A RESOLUTION OF THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE
FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Resolution No. 95-35

A Resolution opposing the budget cuts of the Department of Health and
Human Services/Head Start Program

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma 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 Inter-Tribal Council recognized the need for Head Start, a comprehensive Child
Development Program, providing services to approximately 14,000 American Indian and
Alaska Native children in 25 states – with 14% residing in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the Head Start Program was established to provide services to socially disadvantaged children
and families, recognizing the unique special and culturally related needs of the Indian
families; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma’s twelve (12) Head Start grantees as well as national discretionary grants would
lose approximately $200 million; and

WHEREAS, the decrease in funding would prohibit the measure of quality in services to children and
families; and

WHEREAS, the rescission bill currently before the Senate Subcommittee on House Labor/Health and
Human Services/Education appropriations calls for the decrease in funding for the Head Start
Programs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the opposition of the Inter-Tribal Council of the Civilized
Tribes of the Oklahoma to the decrease of funding for the Head Start Programs be made
known.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes in a meeting held in Okmulgee, Oklahoma,
July 14, 1995, by a vote of: 25 for, 0 against, 0 Abstentions.

(Signed by Gregory Pyle for)  Signed by Chief Fife
Hollis E. Roberts, Chief  Bill S. Fife, Chief
Choctaw Nation  Muscogee (Creek) Nation

(Signed by John A. Ketcher for)  Signed by Chief Haney
Wilma P. Mankiller, Chief  Jerry Haney, Chief
Cherokee Nation  Seminole Nation

(Signed by Bill Anoatubby)  
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Chickasaw Nation