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

Resolution No. 95-37

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL ASSISTANCE CENTER FOR REGION VII

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

WHEREAS, on January 25, 1994, the U. S. Congress reauthorized the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) through the passage of the Improving America’s Schools Act, followed shortly thereafter by GOALS 2000: Educate America Act.

WHEREAS, Under title XIII of the reauthorized ESEA – Support and Assistance Programs to Improve Education – of the revised ESEA, the U. S. Department of Education is currently seeking to establish a networked system of fifteen (15) comprehensive regional assistance center to provide comprehensive training and technical assistance, related to the administration and implementation of programs under this Act, to States, local educational agencies, schools, tribes, community-based organizations, and other recipients of funds under this Act.

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Education is adopting a new approach to its current method of providing technical assistance that is categorical in nature and often fragmented. The new national technical assistance system, involving comprehensive regional assistance centers, will focus on providing coordinated training and technical assistance to States, local educational agencies, tribes, schools, and other recipients of funds under ESEA.

WHEREAS, the University of Oklahoma is submitting a proposal to establish the Comprehensive Regional assistance Center for Region VII, including the states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois and Indiana.

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council supports the establishment of the Center at the University of Oklahoma versus another state.

NOW THREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes support the collaboration of the University of Oklahoma and its proposal to operate the Region VII Comprehensive Regional Assistance Center to be funded by the U.S. Office of Education.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes in a meeting held at the Creek Council House 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
Choctaw Nation

(Signed by John A. Ketcher for) Signed by Chief Haney
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Muscogee (Creek) Nation

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(Signed by Bill Anoatubby)                          
Bill Anoatubby, Governor                            
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