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

Resolution No. 95-43

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE ELIMINATION OF THE INDIAN ARTS AND CRAFTS BOARD (IACB)

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

WHEREAS, the Indian Arts & Crafts Board is the primary federal advocate for American Indian and Alaska Native Art and its inter-connected purposes --- economic, cultural, social; and spiritual—while concentrating on long term economic benefits to the tribes; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes oppose the elimination of the Indian Arts and Crafts Board (IACB); and that the position of the Inter-Tribal Council is that without the IACB the federal government will no longer have the capacity to provide assistance to the 554 federally recognized tribes and their thousands of artists and crafts people.

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) 
Hollis E. Roberts, Chief
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(Signed by Chief Fife)
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(Signed by Bill Anoatubby)
Bill Anoatubby, Governor