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 300,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS,
A fully cooperative working relationship between the Five Civilized Tribes and the Area Director, Muskogee Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, has been exhibited by Mr. Jim Fields for the last eighteen months, and

WHEREAS,
Mr. Fields has done an extraordinary job representing the Native American people in his service area, and his leadership during difficult times has shown that he is most capable in dealing with sensitive issues, and

WHEREAS,
The Inter-Tribal Council unanimously endorses Mr. Fields for the position of permanent Area Director of the Muskogee Area Office.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,
That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized hereby requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to appoint Mr. Fields as the permanent Area Director for the Muskogee Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting held at Sulphur, Oklahoma on October 10, 1997, by a vote of 25 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

Joe Byrd Signed
Joe Byrd, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

Greg E. Pyle Signed
Gregory E. Pyle, Chief
Choctaw Nation

Perry Beaver Signed
Perry Beaver, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Jerry Haney Signed
Jerry Haney, Principal Chief
Seminole Nation

Bill Anoatubby Signed
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Chickasaw Nation