The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL
of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

NUMBER 98-20
Resolution in Support of Continued Funding of the
Summer Youth Employment Programs

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,
PL 97-300, the Job Training Partnership Act, authorizes funding to conduct a Summer Youth Employment Program for the summer employment of youth, and

WHEREAS,
This program also provides many Indian youth with academic, cultural and other activities, not otherwise available to them, and

WHEREAS,
The Summer Youth Employment Program is vital to both participating youth and to the communities in which they live, and

WHEREAS,
The recession bill being considered by the House of Representatives eliminates the Summer Youth Employment Program leaving many Indian youth unemployed and idle during the summer months; and

WHEREAS,
Should this be included in the final FY’99 Appropriations bill that President Clinton commit to veto the Bill in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,
That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes request that the FY’99 Summer Youth Employment Program not be eliminated and funding remain at the current level.
CERTIFICATION
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Checotah, Oklahoma on July 10, 1998, by a vote of 25 for, 0 against and 0 abstentions.

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Joe Byrd, Principal Chief
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