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,

The Workforce investment Act (WIA) of 1998, includes language which allows state recognized tribes to receive federal dollars to operate state Workforce Investment Act programs; and

WHEREAS,

The state-recognized tribes funding for WIA should be allocated out of state allocated funds for operation of state WIA programs; and

WHEREAS,

We hereby oppose inclusion of state recognized tribes for federal funding out of the WIA dollars designated for Indian and Native American programs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes strongly opposes inclusion of state recognized tribes to receive funds from the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 federal dollars to operate state WIA programs.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting on April 9, 1999, by a vote of 24 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

J. Garland Eagle Signed for               Greg E. Pyle Signed
Joe Byrd, Principal Chief               Gregory E. Pyle, Chief
Cherokee Nation                          Choctaw Nation

Perry Beaver Signed                      Jerry Haney Signed
Perry Beaver, Principal Chief           Jerry Haney, Principal Chief
Muscogee (Creek) Nation                  Seminole Nation

Bill Anoatubby Signed                    Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Bill Anoatubby, Governor                 Chickasaw Nation