

**The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL  
Of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES**  
*Organized February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1950*

**Resolution No. 95-18**

**Resolution in Support of Opposing the Elimination or Reduction  
of FY '96 Funding for Goals 2000**

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

**WHEREAS,** the goals 2000: Educate American Act was adopted by Congress and the President to establish a systemic reporting system on the amount of educational progress the nation and states are making by building a national consensus of education improvements; to provide all students with fair opportunity to learn; and

**WHEREAS,** the Goals process help communities make accurate, informed decisions based on reliable information to determine the strengths and weaknesses of their educational systems; and

**WHEREAS,** the National Education Goals have set high expectations for education performance at every stage of a learner's life, from preschool years through adulthood; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that opposition by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Tribes to the elimination and or reduction of funding for Goals 2000: Educate American Act be made known.

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Washington, D.C. on this 7<sup>th</sup>, day of **April, 1995**, by a vote of 23 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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Signed by Wilma P.Mankiller)  
Wilma P. Mankiller, Principal Chief  
Cherokee Nation

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Signed by Hollis Roberts  
Hollis Roberts, Chief  
Choctaw Nation

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Signed by Bill Fife  
Bill Fife, Principal Chief  
Muscogee (Creek) Nation

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Signed by Jerry Haney  
Jerry Haney, Principal Chief  
Seminole Nation

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Signed by Bill Anoatubby  
Bill Anoatubby, Governor  
Chickasaw Nation