

**The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL
of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES**

NUMBER 99-22

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 DOI-BIA has, in violation of P.L. 93-638, as amended, removed funding for the Housing Improvement Program from TPA base funding; and

WHEREAS,

The DOI-BIA is attempting to adjust the funding distribution methodology without tribal consultation, which conflicts with the purpose and intent of Self-Determination and Self-Governance; and,

WHEREAS,

A memorandum from the Director, Office of Tribal Services, dated March 3, 1999, identifying a deadline of July 30, 1999 for providing information pertaining to Housing Inventories, was not provided to Muskogee Area tribes until June 22, 1999.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma vehemently objects to the removal of HIP funding from the TPA base, and, further requests the initiative not be implemented until fiscal year 2001 and only with appropriate tribal consultation.

CERTIFICATION

Adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting at Checotah, Oklahoma, on the 9th of July, 1999, by a vote of 21 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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Joe Byrd, Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

Jack Pate Signed for
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Perry Beaver Signed
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David Brown Signed for
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
Chickasaw Nation