The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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A RESOLUTION OF THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES SUPPORTING THE UNITED STATES IN ITS MISSION CALLED "OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM"

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 400,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS.

The Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes composed of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek and Seminole Nations in Oklahoma have since 1785 through 1866 made peace treaties and numerous other treaties with the United States.

WHEREAS,

Each of the Five Civilized Tribes through such treaties have been received into the favor and protection of the United States.

WHEREAS.

Each of the Five Civilized Tribes have served honorably in all American wars, in all branches of service, in all ranks from Private to General, and from Seaman to Admiral, with distinction;

WHEREAS,

It is recognized, historically, that American Indians have the highest record of service per capita when compared to other ethnic or minority groups;

WHEREAS,

On September 11, 2001, the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. and United Flight #93, fated to crash in Pennsylvania were deliberately attached by a foreign force that has war on the people of the United States of America;

WHEREAS,

The attack on the United States of America constitutes an attack on the sacred homeland of the First Americans; and

WHEREAS,

The Five Civilized Tribes remain firm allies of the United States of America and have promised to faithfully aid the United States in putting down its enemies;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes supports the United States of America in the war on foreign forces identified under the leadership of Osama Bin Laden.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma meeting at Durant, Oklahoma on October 12, 2001, by a vote of $\underline{24}$ for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions.

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Perry Beaver, Principal Chief
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Bill Anoatubby Signed
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