The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES



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A Resolution Supporting the Reauthorization of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Act

Resolution No. 15-06

- WHEREAS, The Inter-Tribal Council of The Five Civilized Tribes (ITC) is an organization that unites the tribal governments of the Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Muscogee (Creek), and Seminole Nations, representing over 500,000 Indian people throughout the United States, and
- WHEREAS, federal transportation funding is crucial to the development of roads, bridges, and transit programs within the jurisdictions of the Five Civilized Tribes, and
- WHEREAS, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) Act provided the necessary funding and a funding formula to stabilize roadway allocations for the Five Civilized Tribes, and
- WHEREAS, MAP-21 also provided the necessary funding and an apportionment formula to stabilize transit allocations for the Five Civilized Tribes, and
- WHEREAS, the ITC recognizes that a long-term reauthorization of MAP-21 is necessary for the safety and economic prosperity of its tribal communities, and
- WHEREAS, the MAP-21 Extension Act is set to expire on May 15, 2015 and thus the opportunity exists to act and build upon this important piece of legislation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the ITC supports a long-term reauthorization of MAP-21 with the following amendments and clarifications:

- 1. Increase Tribal Transportation Program funding.
- 2. Retain the Tribal Transportation Program funding formula enacted by MAP-21.

- 3. Increase Public Transportation on Indian Reservations funding from \$30 million to \$40 million annually with a set aside of \$35 million for apportionments and \$5 million for discretionary grants.
- 4. Provide clarifying language in the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program to specify tribal apportionments when multiple tribes exist in a single Census Designated Statistical Area.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma on this 9th day of January, 2015, by a vote of All intervor for none against and _____ abstentions.

Bill Anoatubby, Governor The Chickasaw Nation

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