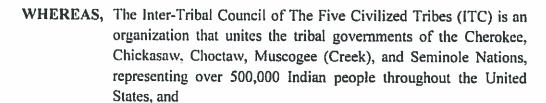
## The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

A Resolution of the Inter-Tribal Council endorsing and supporting the Oklahoma Native American Juvenile Justice Task Force in developing Memorandum of Understandings between the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs and tribal governmental systems

## Resolution No. 15-09



WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Native American Juvenile Justice Task Force in their efforts to mitigate the impact of inherent bias and inequity of Native youth in the state juvenile justice system urges Oklahoma tribes to commit to future collaborative efforts to address these issues; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs has designated tribal liaisons available to address issues confronting adjudicated Native youth and could collaborate with tribal court systems to meet the unique needs of at-risk Native youth; and

WHEREAS, research and analysis of tribal juvenile justice systems which supports prevention, intervention, and reintegration into tribal communities is necessary for an equitable safety net for Native youth.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes endorses and supports developing MOUs between the Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs and tribal governmental systems of the Five Tribes to provide comprehensive, restorative justice programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes agrees to provide delegates to represent each Nation on the Oklahoma Native American Juvenile Justice Task Force, to ensure our youth in Office of Juvenile Affairs custody have a voice.

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015, by a vote of against and abstentions.



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