The INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL of the FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES



A Resolution in Support of the Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFOA) and their comments and recommendations to the IRS regarding Opportunity Zones in Indian Country

Resolution No. 19-06



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 approximately 750,000 Indian people throughout the United States; and



WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council understands Opportunity Zones is a new tax incentive created through the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 and the Opportunity Zones include a large portion of Indian Country; and



WHEREAS, the way in which the regulations are currently written, tribes are at risk of exclusion from potentially significant investments in distressed communities; and



WHEREAS, NAFOA has worked diligently in facilitating conversations and collecting information on issues most pertinent to Indian Country with regard to Opportunity Zones; and

Gary Batton Chief

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes fully supports NAFOA's submission of comments and recommendations to the IRS with the objective of clarifying issues and ensuring tribal



CERTIFICATION

governments can successfully benefit from Opportunity Zone incentives.

James R. Floyd Principal Chief

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma on this 11th day of January, 2019, by a vote of 22 for 8 against and 8 abstentions.



Bill Anoatubby, Governor The Chickasaw Nation

James R. Floyd, Principal Chief. Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Greg P. Chilcoat Chief

Gary Batton, Chief

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Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Seminole Nation of Oklahoma

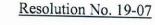
Bill John Baker, Principal Chief Cherokee Nation

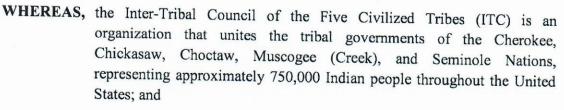
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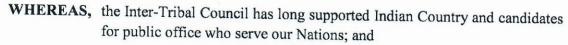
A Resolution Commending and Congratulating Governor-Elect Kevin Stitt



Bill John Baker Principal Chief







WHEREAS, The Inter-Tribal Council continues to support and grow leadership among our tribal citizens, and encourage them to run and serve in public office; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Stitt, Governor-Elect of Oklahoma is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation; and

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes applauds this election and the example that this leadership position will set for Oklahoma's Indian Country and continue prosperity for our tribal nations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes commends and congratulates Kevin Stitt on his election to serve as the 28th Governor of the State of Oklahoma.



Bill Anoatubby Governor



Gary Batton Chief



James R. Floyd Principal Chief



Greg P. Chilcoat Chief