

QUAPAW TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA

P. O. BOX 765 QUAPAW, OKLAHOMA 74363

Resolution No. 71678-A

WHEREAS, the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc. was organized in 1975 when the decision was made that the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. could not contract Bureau of Indian Affairs programs under P.L. 93-638 as certain member Tribes were in a Non Federally Recognized status and,

WHEREAS, these Tribes are now Federally Recognized and therefore making the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. an organization eligible to contract the programs currently under the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc. and,

WHEREAS, the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma as well as other member Tribes of the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc., excepting the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, are also member Tribes of the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. with basically the same representatives sitting on each board, and,

WHEREAS, this situation requires unnecessary additional meeting attendance by elected or appointed Tribal representatives who are already over extended, and,

WHEREAS, all programs currently contracted by the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc., with the exception of the Housing Improvement Program, were initially developed and/or contracted by the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. and,

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. does have established a sound administrative, financial, property and personnel procedure capable of handling the contracted programs and,

WHEREAS, two inter-Tribal organizations composed of basically the same tribes can only serve to be detrimental to the Indian people through benefits which could be derived from the programs being contracted by an organization composed of all eight Tribes in Northeastern Oklahoma.

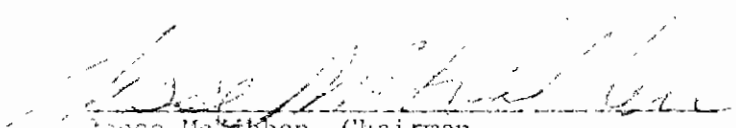
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma with no desire to put an end to any program currently contracted from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, but, rather to retain, expand and improve each one for the benefit of the Indian people does take the following actions:

1. Quapaw Tribal resolutions in support of the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc. to contract the Indian Action Team Program, Adult Education Program, Housing Improvement Program, Arts and Crafts Program, and Tribal Operations are null and void effective at the expiration of these contracts September 30, 1978.
2. The Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma does support the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. to contract the programs referenced in item 1 above beginning Oct. 1, 1978 and urges the other member tribes of the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc. to take similar action.
3. Effective September 30, 1978 the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma does withdraw from membership to the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc. in full support of the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc.
4. Requests the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma give every consideration to rejoining in the membership of the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. in an eight tribe united effort to benefit the Indian people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that being fully aware and respecting the Eastern Shawnee Tribe's right to remain out of the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. and the right of the other member tribes of the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc. not to support the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. The Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma in the event the Eastern Shawnee Tribe decides to not rejoin the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. and the others do not support the Inter-Tribal Council, Inc.; requests the Bureau of Indian Affairs to work with the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma to establish the Quapaw Tribe's share of each program and contract such amounts to the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma for the operations of programs currently under the Northeastern Oklahoma Five Tribes Council, Inc.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the foregoing action was taken in a regulary called Annual Meeting of the General Council of the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma held on July 16, 1978 at Beaver Springs Park. The vote reflecting 34 in favor, none opposed and 1 abstaining.



Jesse McRibben, Chairman
Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma