

TO APPROVE THE JOINT STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS, EXCEPT FOR PLAINTIFFS' SECTION 16 CLAIMS

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

THOMAS WILLISTON INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE the joint stipulation of settlement al all claims, except for Plainiffs' Section 16 claims.

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Nations of Oklahoma ("Nation") is a federally recognized Indian tribal government, and

WHEREAS, there is presently pending in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma; Cause No. 05-cv-01524-W; Captioned The Chickasaw Nation and the Choctaw Nation v. United States Department of the Interior ("Case"), and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have reached a partial settlement in the Case, settling all claims, except for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations Section 16 Claims related to the timber and timberlands , and

WHEREAS, said Case will continue with regard to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations Section 16 claims related to the timber and timberlands.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Act be cited as approval for :

1. The Choctaw Nation does hereby approve the Joint Stipulation of Settlement of All Claims except for Plaintiffs' Section 16 claims as set forth in the Case.
2. Chief Gary Batton and/or counsel he designates is authorized to sign and execute any and all documents related to the Joint Stipulation of Settlement of All Claims, except for Plaintiffs' Section 16 claims, that are necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of the Joint Stipulation of Settlement of All Claims except for Plaintiff's Section 16 claims as set forth in this Case.
3. The Case shall continue with regard to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations Section 16 claims related to timber and timberlands.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on May 9, 2015. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 93 -15 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero ( 0 ) negative votes, and zero ( 0 ) abstaining.

Delton R. Cox
Delton Cox, Speaker
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

Thomas Williston, Secretary
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

Gary Batton, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 5-12-15