

# SEMINOLE NATION OF OKLAHOMA

## TR 2010-26

### A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE SEMINOLE NATION OF OKLAHOMA AFFIRMING THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

#### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SEMINOLE NATION COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

**WHEREAS**, The Seminole Nation of Oklahoma is federally recognized by the Secretary of the Interior as a Native American Tribe for the purpose of government to government relations; and

**WHEREAS**, Article V of the Seminole Nation Constitution empowers the General Council to speak or act on behalf of the Seminole Nation in all matters in which the Nation is empowered to act; and to govern Tribal lands and communal resources; and


**WHEREAS**, The Seminole Nation recognizes the efforts and international recognition that the United Nations General Assembly has shown by its adoption of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on September 13, 2007, believing that the principles and the Articles of the Declaration are also embraced and supported by the members of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma; and

**WHEREAS**, The Seminole Nation affirms its inherent right of self-determination over its tribal lands.


**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the General Council of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma hereby recognizes and affirms the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples adopted by the United Nations Human rights Council on September 13, 2007, as a minimum expression of the indigenous rights of the members of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma.

#### CERTIFICATION

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the General Council of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March 2010, at Mekusukey Mission, South of Seminole, Oklahoma, by a vote of 18 Yes, 2 No, and 0 Abstaining, a quorum of Fifteen (15) Council members being present.

  
Leonard M. Hago, Principal Chief  
Seminole Nation of Oklahoma

ATTEST:

  
Symathia Hooper, General Council Secretary  
General Council, Seminole Nation of Oklahoma

