

Bill No 35

Resolution
recommending that the Choctaw & Chickasaw Nations be permitted to sell to Jaen Gordon and his Associates one hundred thousand acres of land for a game reserve only:

Whereas: There are thousands of acres of mountainous and rough lands in the South eastern portion of the Choctaw Nation that can never be of great value as agricultural land; and

Whereas: It is the desire of Jaen Gordon and his Associates to purchase one hundred thousand acres of said land, all in one body, at its appraised value; and

Whereas: There has been very little, if any of the lands that it is desired to sell, that has been allotted by any member of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Tribes of Indians; and

Whereas: When the selection of his reservation is finally and definitely located, Jaen Gordon and his Associates express their willingness and intention to satisfactorily settle with all allottees who may be found to have improvements located thereon; and

Whereas: It is the purpose of this organization to create out of this reservation a game preserve for the purpose of preserving fish game and timber; and for no other purpose

Therefore

Be it resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled,

That it is the sense of the Choctaw Council that there could be no better disposition made of the lands desired by Jaen Gordon and his associates than to dispose of the same at its appraised value;

And the Congress of the United States is most earnestly solicited to make the necessary steps looking to the sale of this land to Jaen Gordon and his Associates at its appraised value;

Provided: That if there shall be found to be members of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Tribes of Indians who have selected their allotments ~~within~~ within the boundaries of said reserve, who shall express their willingness in writing to release and relinquish their allotments and allot else where, that their allotments be canceled, upon payment by Jaen Gordon and his Associates satisfactory compensation for the improvements located thereon and that such allottee be permitted to allot else where - said lands to be set aside and definitely located by a Commission consisting of three persons, one to be appointed by the ~~Governor of the~~ Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, one to be appointed by the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation, and one to represent Jaen Gordon and his Associates, whose duty it shall be to locate and to lodge with the Commission, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, within ninety days from the date of favorable action upon this measure by the Congress of the United States, legal and definite description of all the lands desired, to compose this reservation which it is desired to see, which shall be all in one body; and that the Congress of the United States shall make suitable