

Your Committee would therefore respectfully recommend the passage of the following Resolution

Sec 1. Be it resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation in regular Session Assembled that the Claim of S. Silverman and Brothers for (\$75,851) based on Certificates allowed to have been issued by the authorities of Leeder County Ga and the same is hereby disallowed

Sec 2. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. H. Harrison
Chairman Finance Committee

Read and Interpreted and passed the Senate and referred to the Lower House this Oct 8 - 1909.

G. W. Choot
President of the Senate

Attest Levi J. Billy
Rec- Secy

Read and Interpreted and passed the House and referred to the Principal Chief this 8th day of Oct 1909.

W. A. Durant
Speaker of the House

Attest Joseph Moore
Rec- Secy

Approved this the 8th day of Oct 1909

Green McClurain
Principal Chief
Choctaw Nation

Resolution Protecting against Recognition of J. F. McMurray

Whereas J. F. McMurray of Mississippi has procured contracts from a number of Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians employing or purporting to employ him as the Agent and Agent of said Citizens to represent them in the final settlement and division of the property of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Tribes; and agreeing to give the said McMurray a fee of ten per cent of said property, which is of the value of millions of dollars and

Whereas, the said property of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Tribes of Indians is the common property of all the members of said Tribes and is not subject to contract by the individual members of or any of them by contract, or otherwise, and

Whereas, the Government of the United States has the exclusive authority and control of the common or undivided property of the Indians, and with it the duty of protecting the same against manipulation for private gain and against injustice and imposition of every character and

Whereas, Our property will be divided by the United States Government any way, we see no use in employing McMurray or any one else, and giving him or him a part of our property for that purpose and

Whereas, It is not right or proper that McMurray should be allowed to represent or pretend to represent the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians or any of them before the Congress of the United States or the Committee thereof, or before the Department of the Interior, the Indian Office or any authority of the Government under said title, unjust and unreasonable