

Anadarko will be in the southwest sector of Oklahoma and is presently designated location for a federal office which was created for the benefit of many tribes and jurisdiction of the Indian agency, of which Anadarko is where the area office is located; and Whereas, Anadarko, because of this location, is a great distance from those tribes who were our friends and whose tribal members again comprise (words not clear), north central and the tribal (words not clear) jurisdictional (words inaudible) Kansas Agency, and who must have at times traveled the long distance for the purpose of taking care of official tribal or personal affairs; and Whereas, in order of distances to Anadarko from various towns located in areas populated by Indian members and tribal (words not clear) we make not of long distance in mileage is shown; Ponca City where we are tonight, to Anadarko, 186 miles; Perry to Anadarko, 156 miles; Pawnee to Anadarko, 156 miles; Drumright, where the Sac and Fox reside, Drumright to Anadarko, 146 miles; Chandler, where we find tribal Shawnee jurisdiction, Chandler to Anadarko, 113 miles; Shawnee to Anadarko, 92 miles; Elk City to Anadarko, where our good friends the Cheyenne-Arapaho reside, 89 miles; Clinton to Anadarko, 72 miles; Therefore, Be It Resolved, That its present area office be relocated to a centrally located city to the convenience of all tribes and, therefore, serve the purpose of the Bureau of Indian Affairs establishing an area office. And Be It Further Resolved, That the (words not clear) area office be relocated in El Reno or Elk City, which is centrally located. Oklahoma City should not be designated because of the already congested and complex traffic system." Senator, I will present you with a map which will indicate the distance shown and areas more centrally located, which we feel in the north central Oklahoma, could be better served by moving this area office to our sector. I would like to say this, that usually when you bring up things like this