

Okmulgee, Creek Nation, Oct. 26, 1909.

Hon. Moty Tiger,
Principal Chief of Creek Nation,

We the undersigned do most respectfully beg leave to state that pursuant to call, a convention was called to lay before your honor, a resolution setting forth the wishes of the Creek People relative to the calling of the National Council and to earnestly request that you take immediate steps to secure to the Creek People their wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Sam'l J. Haynes
Chairman.

(Signed) D. M. Hodge,

(Signed) Billy G. Barnett,

(Signed) J. P. Davidson,

Committee.

WHEREAS, it is commonly reported that the Congress of the United States passed a law authorizing that the Secretary of the Interior be vested with the duty of approving the calling of sessions of the National Council, and according to the Law of the Creek Nation, the National Council convenes in regular session on the first Tuesday of October of each year, and by reason of this report, there has been no regular session of Council for this year up to the present time.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Principal Chief accompanied by his Interpreter, be and is hereby requested to present to the Honorable Secretary of the Interior the following reasons for, and urge the necessity of calling an immediate session of the National Council of the Creek Nation.

I.

The enrollment of persons not entitled to enrollment over the protest of the Creek Council.

II.

That funds belonging to the Creek Nation are being disbursed without the knowledge or consent of the Creek Council as provided for in the Agreement.

III.

That certain citizens are being taxed by the State authorities in violation of the Agreement.

IV.

That the National Council is the only medium through which the citizens have of laying their needs and grievances before the United States Government and to withhold the right of the Council to convene would be to deprive a large class of citizens of their means of proper representation.

V.

That the appropriations for expenses and salaries of the standing officers of the Creek Nation is made the imperative duty of the National Council, including expenses of National Attorneys Office.

VI.

That the Congress of the United States in its wisdom saw fit to retain this much of the former Government of the Creek Nation, a Government that is dear to all Creek Citizens, and we believe it would be unwise to withhold the right of the Council to meet and present to the United States the grievances and wishes of a people whose National life is fast ebbing, and must soon pass into oblivion to be remembered only in the fond hearts of a once powerful people.

Adopted,

(Signed) J. C. Johnson,
Clerk.

(Signed) Samuel J. Haynes,
Chairman.

October 26th, 1909.

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO
Executive Office of the Creek Nation
MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA

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Pres. of the
Creek Nation
Muskogee, Okla.