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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Statement Regarding Tribal Member Death at Neshoba County Jail**

**CHOCTAW, Miss.** – (July 30, 2015) – On the morning of Tuesday, July 14, 2015, the Tribe was notified of the untimely death of enrolled tribal member Rexdale Henry, at the Neshoba County Jail.

Tribal Chief Phyliss J. Anderson has been in contact with local and federal authorities since that time. Neshoba County officials announced earlier this week that an inmate was charged with murder in relation to the death.

“I, along with the entire tribal community, am saddened by the loss of Mr. Henry. I am committed to working with authorities to see justice served in this case,” said Tribal Chief Phyliss Anderson. “Please continue to keep the Henry family in your thoughts and prayers.”

Out of respect for the family, no further statement will be issued at this time.

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*The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, under the leadership of Tribal Chief Phyliss J. Anderson, has an enrolled membership of more than 10,000 people and is the only federally recognized tribe in the State of Mississippi. Headquartered in Choctaw, Miss., the Tribe has emerged as a leader in economic development. The Tribe provides a range of governmental services including schools, a hospital, medical clinics, police and fire protection, courts, and a center for the elderly, among many others. Phyliss J. Anderson serves as the first female Chief in Mississippi Choctaw history.*