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Historic Milestones at Tribal Chief Inauguration Ceremony

CHOCTAW, Miss. – (October 6, 2015) – Historic milestones for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians will be celebrated during the Inauguration of Tribal Chief Phyliss J. Anderson. The ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, October 8, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. at the Neshoba County Coliseum.

Chief Anderson is the Tribe's fourth democratically-elected Chief. She is the second Tribal Chief to be elected to a consecutive four-year term. In addition to Chief Anderson's re-election, for the first time in modern-day Mississippi Choctaw politics, there is a majority number of female Tribal Council representatives. These achievements will be acknowledged during the ceremony.

Attendees are encouraged to wear pink in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Following the ceremony, there will be performances by Deidre Tubby and the East Central Community College Choir.

More information about the ceremony is located on the Tribe's Facebook page and www.choctaw.org.

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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.