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August 25th Tribal Chief Election Certified and Final

CHOCTAW, Miss. – (September 10, 2015) – A run-off election for the Tribal Chief of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians was conducted on August 25, 2015. After the election a tribal member filed a complaint to the Tribal Election Committee (TEC) on Friday, August 28, 2015. The TEC dismissed the complaint in its entirety according to Tribal Election Ordinance 6. The complainant appealed the TEC decision as is set forth in Ordinance 6. The complainant received notification on September 9, 2015, that the appeal had been rejected for non-compliance with Ordinance 6. Since no other appeals are pending, the certified election results issued on Wednesday, August 26, 2015, by the Tribal Election Committee are valid and the results are final. Phyliss J. Anderson is the certified winner and re-elected to her second term as Tribal Chief.

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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.