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Director

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**STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
JOHN LILLEY CORRECTIONAL CENTER**

April 4, 2013

Re: Letter of support for
Offender Reentry Program-TI 13-007

To Whom It May Concern:

The Muskogee Creek Nation has been active involvement with the offender population at the John H. Lilley Correctional Center for some time. In an era of increasing prison populations and a decreasing budget, our agency relies heavily on volunteers and programs such as the Offender Reentry Program-TI 13-007. This partnership provides services to Native American offenders of Creek heritage. The services offered by the Creek Nation compliment other reentry programs offered by the Department of Corrections. By partnering with the Creek Nation, our offender population is afforded the opportunity to acquire additional tools and skills necessary to successfully make the transition from being incarcerated offenders to being productive citizens. These services are especially important for central Oklahoma due to the limited resources available in predominantly rural communities, where many of the offenders are released to.

The Offender Reentry Program-TI 13-007 provides a vital bridge for offenders making the transition from incarceration where they participate in residential substance abuse treatment to being released into the community for participation in a community-based substance abuse treatment. We support the Offender Reentry Program-TI 13-007 and look forward for the continued partnership with the Muskogee Creek Nation in addressing the re-entry needs of our offender population.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kameron Harvanek".

Kameron Harvanek, Warden
John Lilley Correctional Center