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H.R 759 Unanimously Passes United States House of Representatives

Statement from Alabama-Coushatta Tribal Council Chairwoman Cecilia Flores

“I am pleased House Resolution 759 unanimously passed the United States House of Representatives. This would not have happened without the steadfast leadership provided by both Congressmen Brian Babin (TX-36) and Will Hurd (TX-23), who’s tireless efforts made it possible. We would also like to express our appreciation to Congressman Don Young of Alaska for providing clarification of the intent and purpose of H.R. 759, and to Natural Resources Chairman Raul Grijalva of Arizona for his commitment to navigate this bill through the committee process.”

“The grassroots support throughout Deep East Texas has been overwhelming and we are pleased Congress recognized the tremendous support on this bill across Texas to clarify our rights to offer electronic bingo at Naskila Gaming on our lands.”

“The Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas has tremendous historical significance in the state and we want to continue our part in providing jobs and ensuring the future economic well-being in Deep East Texas.”

“We understand passage of H.R. 759 in the United States House of Representatives is a stepping stone toward becoming law and look forward to working with Senators John Cornyn and Ted Cruz. We see and hear the outpouring of support from our friends, neighbors and legislators. Together we are all fighting hard for the fair and equitable treatment amongst all three federally recognized Tribes in the great State of Texas. This legislation means so much too so many.”

“Today we all can enjoy this moment and tomorrow it is back to work protecting jobs, economic development and continuing our battle for self-sufficiency.”

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