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SUGGESTED LEAD IN:

A PLACE DEDICATED TO ENHANCING TOURISM IN JOHNSTON COUNTY OPENED TODAY IN DOWNTOWN TISHOMINGO.

CHICKASAW NATION GOVERNOR BILL ANOATUBBY LED RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONIES TO OFFICIALLY OPEN THE NEW CHICKASAW NATION INFORMATION CENTER.

((SOT UP FULL))

CG: Governor Bill Anoatubby The Chickasaw Nation

"I believe it's a great addition to this community, to Main Street, and it will be a wonderful resource to visitors that come to Tishomingo and Johnston County."

"And we are excited to see this facility continue to promote partnerships within this community and tourism for this area."

((VO BEGINS)) CG: CHICKASAW INFORMATION CENTER TISHOMINGO, OKLAHOMA

LOCATED (ADDRESS) MAIN STREET IN THE HEART OF DOWNTOWN TISHOMINGO, MUCH OF THE 10,800 SQUARE-FOOT BUILDING IS DEDICATED TO PROVIDING VISITORS WITH TOURISM INFORMATION.

THE TISHOMINGO AREA HAS MANY OUTDOOR ATTRACTIONS SUCH AS THE BLUE RIVER, TISHOMINGO WILDLIFE REFUGE, AND HISTORIC SITES INCLUDING THE CHICKASAW NATION CAPITOL AND CHICKASAW WHITE HOUSE. THE INFORMATION CENTER ALSO OFFERS A LOUNGE AREA FOR TRAVELERS AND A RETAIL AREA, WHICH FEATURES ARTWORK BY NATIVE ARTISTS.

((SOT UP FULL)) CG: Governor Bill Anoatubby The Chickasaw Nation

"The Information Center will also promote local businesses and support the area economy."

((VO BEGINS)) CG: CHICKASAW INFORMATION CENTER TISHOMINGO, OKLAHOMA

GOV. ANOATUBBY SAID THE CHICKASAW NATION HAS MANY HISTORIC TIES AND PARTNERSHIPS IN THE TISHOMINGO AREA, AND THE NEW INFORMATION CENTER IS A RESULT OF THOSE PARTNERSHIPS.

THE FACILITY ALSO HOUSES THE JOHNSTON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE JOHNSTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, AND THE CHICKASAW NATION OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS AND THE TOURISM DEPARTMENT

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"We wanted the Johnston Chamber of Commerce, we already had a partnership with the Johnston County Historical Society and the Chickasaw Bank, and so we thought it was just natural for them to be included in the building."

SUGGESTED TAG:

MORE THAN 300 ATTENDED TODAY'S RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY.
