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SUGGESTED LEAD IN:

CHICKASAW NATION GOVERNOR BILL ANOATUBBY REFLECTED ON THE CHICKASAW NATION'S GROWTH IN THE PAST FOUR DECADES SINCE RATIFYING ITS MODERN CONSTITUTION, DURING HIS OCTOBER 7 STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS FROM AITAFAMA' ISHTO (AH-IT-TUH-FAH-MAH ISH-TOH') – "LARGE GATHERING PLACE" –THEATRE.

((SOT UP FULL))

**CG: Governor Bill Anoatubby
The Chickasaw Nation**

"The 40th anniversary of our constitution is a celebration of our foundation, the very foundation from which we have collectively built the modern Chickasaw Nation."

"The reason for the Chickasaw Nation's growth and success over the years runs deeper than our policies or even our programs."

"Rather, it stems from the deeply, deeply rooted commitment, passion, and resilience of our people."

((VO BEGINS))

CG: TISHOMINGO, OK

GOVERNOR ANOATUBBY SAID THE CHICKASAW CONSTITUTION, RATIFIED IN 1983, ESTABLISHED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE MODERN CHICKASAW NATION AND ENABLES THE CHICKASAW NATION TO EXERCISE ITS SOVEREIGNTY MORE EFFECTIVELY.

THE CHICKASAW NATION HAS EXPERIENCED UNPRECEDENTED GROWTH IN THE PAST FOUR DECADES BY DIVERSIFYING ITS BUSINESS PORTFOLIO, WHICH FUNDS MORE THAN 200 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR CHICKASAWS, GOVERNOR ANOATUBBY SAID.

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**CG: Governor Bill Anoatubby
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"The incredible success of our businesses enables us to accelerate the execution of our long-term, economic diversification plans. And will result in increased funding for tribal programs and services."

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CG: TISHOMINGO, OK

GOVERNOR ANOATUBBY UPDATED THE CAPACITY CROWD ABOUT EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE AND OTHER PROGRAMS, ALL DESIGNED TO ENHANCE THE LIVES OF CHICKASAW PEOPLE.

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“The Chickasaw Nation higher education and career technology programs awarded \$29.3 in financial support to more than 5,500 Chickasaw students.”

“This year, our department of health had more than one million patient visits and filled nearly one-and-a-half million prescriptions, including 600,000 by mail.”

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CG: TISHOMINGO, OK

GOVERNOR ANOATUBBY EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF PARTNERING WITH THE COMMUNITY IN EDUCATION, PUBLIC SAFETY, WATER SUSTAINABILITY AND ECONOMIC VENTURES.

RECENT PROJECTS INCLUDE 42 MILES OF ROAD IMPROVEMENT IN EIGHT COUNTIES AND WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN FOUR COMMUNITIES.

MORE THAN 75 CROSS DEPUTATION AGREEMENTS WITH LOCAL, COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT WITH THE CHICKASAW NATION LIGHTHORSE POLICE HELPS ENHANCE ALL RESIDENTS’ SAFETY.

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CG: Governor Bill Anoatubby

The Chickasaw Nation

“This work highlights our commitment and shared vision to work together with local, state and federal partners to shape a brighter future for all who call the Chickasaw Nation home.”

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CG: TISHOMINGO, OK

GOVERNOR ANOATUBBY REFLECTED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING AND SHARING CHICKASAW CULTURE AND LANGUAGE.

THE CHICKASAW NATION OFFERS A WIDE ARRAY OF OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN THE CHICKASAW LANGUAGE AND TRADITIONAL WAYS OF LIFE, INCLUDING CLASSES, CHICKASAW PRESS TITLES, ONLINE PLATFORMS, IMMERSIVE FAMILY CAMPS AND THE CHICKASAW CULTURAL CENTER, SULPHUR.

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**CG: Governor Bill Anoatubby
The Chickasaw Nation**

“We continue to find ways to make our history and culture accessible to you.”

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CG: TISHOMINGO, OK

DURING HIS SPEECH, GOVERNOR ANOATUBBY DETAILED A WIDE RANGE OF NEW TOURISM DEVELOPMENTS, INCLUDING WEST BAY RESORT, KINGSTON, AND SIGNIFICANT ADDITIONS AT WINSTAR WORLD RESORT, THACKERVILLE.

THE CHICKASAW NATION HAS MORE THAN 14,000 EMPLOYEES AND CONTRIBUTES \$5.5 BILLION TO OKLAHOMA’S ECONOMY EACH YEAR.

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**CG: Governor Bill Anoatubby
The Chickasaw Nation**

“Together, we will continue to build a future even more promising than our present, ensuring that the Chickasaw Nation is, and will remain...Unconquered and Unconquerable.”

“Ladies and Gentlemen, the state of the Chickasaw Nation is strong and getting stronger.”

SUGGESTED TAG:

GOVERNOR ANOATUBBY’S STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS IS THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEKLONG CHICKASAW ANNUAL MEETING AND FESTIVAL. TODAY’S EVENT WAS FOLLOWED BY A PARADE AND DOZENS OF CULTURAL AND FAMILY ACTIVITIES IN TISHOMINGO.

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