alims and October 10, 1963 Mr. Earl Boyd Pierce 311 Metropolitan Building Muskogee, Oklahoma Dear Earl Boyd: Because I know of your interest in S. 2178, the bill relating to land at the Chilocco Indian School, I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter from Senator Henry M. Jackson, Chairman of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, relative to this matter. You can be sure of our continued interest in this matter and that we will forward to you any information we receive on it in the future. Sincerely,

THE CHEROKEE NATION
October 8, 1963

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Hon. A. S. (Mike) Monroney United States Senator Washington, D. C.

Re: Chilocco School Lands

Dear Mike:

But for the fact that my secretary has been away on her annual vacation, I would have written to thank you sooner for your kindness and prompt attention to the matter of the effort of the Cherokees to re-purchase the 2,700 acres of excess school land at Chilocco.

I will make due report to the Principal Chief, and the Executive Committee, as well as to the Cherokees generally, of your individual interest and assistance in regard to this matter. I do not think there is any question about the real merit of your Bill, which has been introduced, and sincerely hope that it can clear all the hurdles necessary for enactment at this session of Congress.

As ever

Your friend,

Earl Boyd Pierce General Counsel, Cherokee Nation 311 Metropolitan Building Muskogee, Oklahoma

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cc: Chief Keeler

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COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS

October 8, 1963

(HR8538)

Honorable A. S. Mike Monroney Room 6205 Senate Office Building Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mike:

I have your joint letter of October 2, signed by you and Senator Edmondson, in connection with S.2178, the bill that you have co-sponsored relating to certain lands at the Chilocco Indian School in Oklahoma.

On September 26 the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs requested the Department of the Interior and the Bureau of the Budget for their comments on the legislation, and to date their views have not been received. I am very happy to have your letter of explanation for the need of these lands, and I am sure that the Chairman of the Indian Affairs Subcommittee, Senator Frank Church, will give every consideration to your recommendations.

Your letter will be made a part of the legislative files on S.2178 and will be brought to the attention of the members when the bill is considered.

Sincerely

Chairman

HMJ: Gpd

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