

provided that all lands of the Muskogee (Creek) Tribe of Indians in Indian Territory, except as therein provided, should be allotted among the citizens of said tribe by the United States Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes so as to give each an equal share of the whole in value as nearly as may be, and whereas it was provided by said Act of Congress that each citizen shall select, or have selected for him from his allotment forty acres of land as a homestead for which he shall have a separate deed, and whereas, it was provided by the Act of Congress approved June 30, 1902 (32 Stat., 501) that the homestead of each citizen shall descend to his heirs or be disposed of as therein provided, and whereas, the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes has found that Martha Owens a citizen of said tribe is now dead, and said Commission has certified that the land hereinafter described has been selected as a homestead for said Martha Owens and that said land has been allotted to the heirs of said Martha Owens.

Now therefore I, the undersigned, the Principal Chief of the Muskogee Creek ^{tribe}, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the aforesaid acts of the Congress of the United States have granted and conveyed and by these presents do grant and convey unto the heirs of the said Martha Owens deceased all right, title and interest of the Muskogee (Creek) Nation and of all other citizens of said nation in and to the following described land viz:

The south-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section two (2) Township nineteen (19) north and range twelve (12) east of the Indian base and meridian in Indian Territory containing forty (40) acres more or less as the case may be, according to the United States Survey thereof, subject however to the provisions of said