

## **Chickasaw Nation Signs On For Silver Star Banner Day For Our Wounded And Ill Arned Force Members**

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Janie Orman, National President of the SSFOA stated that, "We are extremely pleased that the Chickasaw Nation has joined with us to honor our wounded and ill warriors. As the 20th century came to a close there were nearly 190,000 Native American military veterans. It is well recognized that, historically, Native Americans have the highest record of service per capita when compared to other groups."

"The reasons behind this disproportionate contribution are deeply rooted in traditional American Indian culture. Their warrior tradition. Native Americans can be expected to carry on their centuries-old warrior tradition- serving with pride, courage, and honor."

Chickasaw Nation Bill Anoatubby was recently honored at the National Governors Association (NGA) conference in Philadelphia.

Gov. Anoatubby accepted a Distinguished Service Award from Oklahoma Gov. Brad Henry and NGA Chair Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty, Sunday, July 13. The presentation was made during the NGA's centennial meeting. Anoatubby was feted as a private citizen for his leadership and valuable contribution to public service and state government.

The people of the Chickasaw Nation joins with hundreds of cities, towns and states across the Nation that have already signed on for Silver Star Banner Day.

To learn more about how you can participate please go to: <http://www.silverstarfamilies.org/SilverStarBannerDay2009.html>

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