

UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No, 77-6

PROPOSED REORGANIZATION OF BIA EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Office of Indian Education/Bureau of Indian Affairs and Department of the Interior apparently received approval for a reorganization of the Education Branch in July of 1976, on the basis of an internal undistributed study; and

WHEREAS, in spite of directions to encourage tribal participation and prerogatives in Indian Self-Determination, the Tribes were not involved in the planning of such office of Indian Education reorganization; and

WHEREAS, these changes remove the Area level authority for certain programs and in effect allow for unilateral action and allocation of resources from Central Office bypassing tribal input into this allocation of education resources; and

WHEREAS, there has been no correspondence with the Tribe concerning the reorganization; and

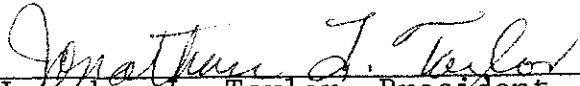
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., in a full Board of Directors meeting held at Hollywood, Florida, on February 15-16, 1977, at which a quorum was present, hereby finds the reorganization at the BIA Office of Indian Education without the advice and consent of all federally recognized tribes totally unacceptable; and

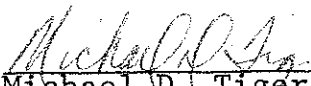
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. considers that the reorganization plan to have been effected by means intentionally disregarding prerequisites for Indian Self-Determination; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Congressional hearings be suspended until tribal input can be completed.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held in Hollywood, Florida, on February 15-16, 1977, the above resolution was duly adopted.

  
Jonathan L. Taylor, President  
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.

  
Michael D. Tiger  
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.