

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES

RESOLUTION NO. C-85-158

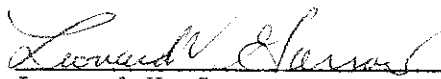
A RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND THAT B.D. OTT BE SELECTED AS THE PERMANENT DIRECTOR OF THE EASTERN AREA OFFICE, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

- WHEREAS, B.D. Ott has been the Acting Director of the Eastern Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, since the resignation of Harry Rainbolt in June of this year; and
- WHEREAS, during his short period of tenure at the Eastern Area Office he has demonstrated his leadership and administrative skills and has worked closely with the southern and eastern Tribes; and has established a good rapport and working relationship with the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Ott has a background as an administrator and member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Ott has had a long personal career in the military, business administration, and industry; and
- WHEREAS, he has expressed concern that the Eastern Area Office be organized to provide quality services to Tribes and to cut through bureaucratic red tape to get the job done; and
- WHEREAS, the Eastern Area Tribes have long endured an Eastern Area Office inadequate in terms of staffing and a series of controversies concerning lack of services, in areas such as finance, personnel, contracting, and the like; and


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of United South and Eastern Tribes, meeting at Cherokee, North Carolina, does hereby wholeheartedly recommend to Deputy Assistant Secretary--Indian Affairs (Operations) that the vacant position of Director, Eastern Area Office, be filled by Mr. B.D. Ott as soon as possible, and that he be given the full authority to develop the Eastern Area Office into a model of an effective and efficient BIA service agency for other area offices to follow.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Executive Committee Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Cherokee, North Carolina, October 4, 1984.



Leonard V. Garrow
President
United South and Eastern Tribes



Joel M. Frank
Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes