

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Resolution No. B-89-223

WHEREAS, the Vocational Education Act is scheduled for reauthorization during the 101st Congress, and

WHEREAS, Indians have traditionally been ignored by States in the funding of vocational education programs. Further since 1977 the BIA has consistently refused to fulfill the matching funds requirement, and

WHEREAS, current proposed amendments to the Act increases funding reserved exclusively for Indians from 1 1/4 percent to 3 percent of total funding, and

WHEREAS, state and other special interest lobbies are encouraging the removal of all set-asides and in doing so would be removing the set aside funds earmarked specifically for Indians, thereby denying Indians of the opportunity to participate in these Vocational Education programs, and

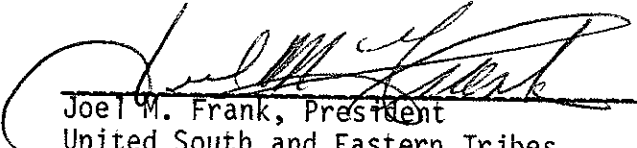
WHEREAS, if USET is to impact the provisions of the Vocational Education Act, action on this issue must occur prior to the end of March when the Bill leaves the subcommittee on Education and Labor for consideration on the hill.

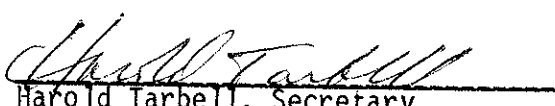
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the USET Board endorses the continuance of set-aside provisions in the Vocational Education Act, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the USET Board supports increasing the set-asides from 1 1/4 percent to 3 percent in order to serve the Indian constituency in its vocational education needs.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the United South and Eastern Tribes Board of Directors meeting held in Washington, DC; February 13 through 16, 1989, at which a quorum was present.

  
Joel M. Frank, President  
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Harold Tarbell, Secretary  
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