

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. B-90-303

USET SUPPORT FOR TEN (10) INDIAN HOUSING PRIORITIES  
TO BE INCLUDED IN THE FY 1992 APPROPRIATIONS

- WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of eighteen (18) federally-recognized tribes; and
- WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET, Inc. Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors is comprised of delegates from the member tribes leadership; and
- WHEREAS, USET, Inc. has established a Housing Committee comprising of representatives from their member tribal Housing Authorities; and
- WHEREAS, the USET Housing Committee has recommended that the USET Board of Directors endorse and support a list of ten (10) priorities concerning Indian Housing as follows:

1. Continue new unit allocation for Indian tribes with a minimum goal for the number of housing units appropriated for each tribe, but not less than 25 percent.
2. Change statutory regulations that include, but are not limited to:
  - a. income calculations
  - b. wage scale
  - c. deductions
  - d. flexibility for rent ceiling
  - e. income limits
3. Provide alternative methods for funding for additional housing, but not as a substitute for new housing construction.
4. HUD should develop a method of ranking for new unit allocations that would meet the needs of the Indian population and should include:
  - a. 1 or 2 bedroom for elderly
  - b. 2 bedroom units for single head of household families
5. Establish that HUD regional offices be given adequate funding for staff, operation and communication equipment to increase their efficiency in serving the IHA's in their specific regions.


6. HUD will insure that set-asides for Indian and Alaska Native programs will be made available whenever funding is appropriated and continue funding levels in C.I.A.P. to maintain existing housing on reservations.
7. Continue to encourage self sufficiency of Indian tribes by returning the funding level of CDGB to \$250,000 per grant.
8. 90 day lead time from HUD for all NOFA's (Notice of Funds Availability).
9. Make funds available for technical assistance grants to enable housing organizations to develop and implement Secretary Kemp's housing initiative program.
10. HUD will continue its efforts towards drug elimination on Indian reservations and will institute new programs to help combat alcohol abuse among its residents. This does not mean elimination of alcohol, rather it concentrates its efforts on the abuse of alcohol and the associated social illnesses which substance abuse brings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board of Directors does hereby express its support for the ten (10) priorities concerning Indian Housing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT USET will support the National American Indian Housing Council in a vigorous effort for consideration by the appropriate Congressional Committees for the FY 1992 Appropriations.

#### CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Cherokee, North Carolina; on October 5, 1990.

  
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Eddie Tullis, President  
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

  
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Phil Guimond, Secretary  
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.