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UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 94-10-DC

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL MARROW DONOR PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-one (21) 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 is firmly committed to the goal of advancing the health care status of Indian people to the highest level possible; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board has established the USET Health Directors' Committee for the purpose of reviewing issues of concern and policy regarding health care programs for and/or affecting USET member tribes, and to provide the Board with proposed recommendations and resolutions for the Board's consideration; and

WHEREAS, Leukemia, Aplastic Anemia and other fatal blood-related diseases strike American Indians at the same rate as the rest of the population; and

WHEREAS, a bone marrow transplant from a matching donor offers the best hope of a cure; and

WHEREAS, the most likely possibility of finding a matching donor is with a sibling, and if a matching sibling donor is not available, the next most likely possibility to find a matching donor is with a donor of the same ethnic background; and

WHEREAS, there is a critical need for more American Indian potential volunteer donors to give patients an equal chance of finding a lifesaving match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the USET endorses the efforts of the National Marrow Donor Program in educating and informing the Nations and Tribes about this issue; and

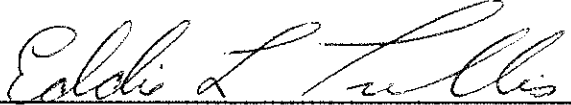
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to support the organization of marrow-typing sessions testing the American Indian population.

"Because there is strength in Unity"

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CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Washington Impact Week meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, D.C., on February 24, 1994.



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



Keller George, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.