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USET Resolution No. USET 96:32

**SUPPORTING LEGISLATION GRANTING ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT TO
HASKELL INDIAN NATIONS UNIVERSITY**

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) 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, Haskell's vision is to become a national center for Indian education, research and cultural programs that increase knowledge and support the educational needs of American Indian/Alaska Natives; and

WHEREAS, Haskell had identified the need to properly administer a quality educational and student life program for American Indian and Alaska Native students attending Haskell; and

WHEREAS, Haskell's ability to make a successful transition from a junior college to a university mission is being compromised by not having control of their administrative systems; and

WHEREAS, the lack of control affects the quality of higher education offered to American Indian students; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of Haskell Indian University seeks to increase local control of the university with the passage of appropriate legislation.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors supports Haskell's Board of Regents efforts to gain legislation that provides a greater degree of autonomy for Haskell Indian Nations University in the transition to a 4-year university and USET encourage its Congressional Delegation to support this legislation.

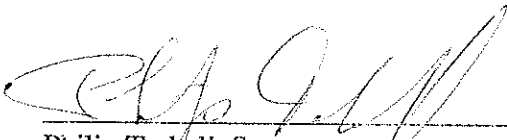
"Because there is strength in Unity"

(USET 96:32)

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Bangor, ME on Friday, June 21, 1996.


Keller George, President
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.


Philip Tartell, Secretary
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.