REMOVE PERSONNEL FREEZE ON INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE AND BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

RESOLUTION NO. USET 15-69

Whereas, the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., consisting of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of North Carolina, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, and the Seminole and Miccosukee Tribes of Florida is vitally concerned with the health and educational needs of American Indians, and

Whereas, the health of American Indian people has been seriously endangered by the limitations being imposed on the Indian Health Service, which can now fill only 65% of its vacancies occurring since July 1, 1969, and this personnel limitation has most directly affected the preventive health program which will lead to higher Indian disease rates and higher Federal costs in Indian Health Service treatment services, and

Whereas, the educational and other programs of the Bureau of Indian Affairs have been endangered by the personnel limitation on Bureau of Indian Affairs employment, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the United Southeastern Tribes call on the President of the United States to remove these restrictions and to permit the Indian Health and BIA programs to move forward in meeting the health and educational needs of Indian People.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify, That at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held at Philadelphia, Mississippi, Pearl River Community, on the 13th day of August, 1969, the above resolution was duly adopted:

ATTEST:

Chairman - Inter-Tribal Council UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC. Secretary - Inter-Tribal Council UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.