SUPPORT CHEROKEE TRIBE FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL FACILITY

UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

RESOLUTION NO. USET 20-69

Whereas, a quality education for Indian young people has been widely recognized as the single most important factor relating to the future well-being of Indian people, and

Whereas, reasonable adequate physical school facilities are in this age an essential requirement for a quality education program, and

Whereas, the Cherokee Indian young people of Cherokee, North Carolina, in grades 7 through 12 are being deprived of a quality education because of hopelessly inadequate high school facilities consisting of the following:

1. Primary classroom buildings present health and safety hazards to students and faculty because of age, termites, rodent infestation, and generally poor construction.

2. Overcrowding and lack of facilities to carry out a modern high school curriculum.

3. Scattering of buildings over area of .4 mile causing severe stress on program management and exposing students to health and safety hazards from the elements, and

Whereas, a high school for such a specific purpose has never been built at Cherokee, and

Whereas, officials of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians have for many years been seeking funds for the construction of a new high school facility and have shown their concern by spending $80,000 to purchase an adequate school site, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., consisting of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, and the Miccosukee and Seminole Tribes of Florida, at a regular meeting and with a quorum present, unanimously endorse the efforts of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to secure immediate funding for a new high school at Cherokee, North Carolina, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this endorsement by the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. be made known by the Secretary of this organization sending
copies of this resolution to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the
Secretary of the Interior, and pertinent Congressional leaders and
others who might be instrumental in bringing about the intent of this
resolution.

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:

[Signature]
Chairman - Inter-Tribal Council
UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

[Signature]
Secretary - Inter-Tribal Council
UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.