## United Southeastern Tribes Resolution No. USET-8-71

## United Southeastern Tribal Support of the University of Georgia College Work Study Internship Program

- WHEREAS, the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. a nonprofit corporation, by authority of the Constitution and By-Laws adopted May 27, 1969, is charged with the responsibility of assisting the Indians of the Southeastern United States in the improvement of their social and economic conditions and for other nonprofit purposes; and,
- WHEREAS, the University of Georgia actively sought and received the support of the United Southeastern Tribes to initiate a two year teacher training program; and,
- WHEREAS, the University of Georgia actively sought and received the cooperation of the Cherokee and Choctaw schools in the training program; and,
- WHEREAS, the University of Georgia has worked closely with a Policy

  Advisory Committee appointed by the member Tribal Councils of
  the United Southeastern Tribes in recruitment and selection of
  students and in the implementation of the program; and,
- WHEREAS, the students and staff of the Georgia Project began the program in good faith of completing a two year training program; and,
- WHEREAS, failure to refund the program would place undue personal and academic hardships on the students and staff and severely compromise the objective of training Indians to become teachers of Indian students; and,
- WHEREAS, refunding appears to be based on confusion between branches of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and not on the merits of the

University of Georgia program.

- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the United Southeastern Tribes urge
  the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to refund the Georgia
  program and to provide notice thereof to United Southeastern
  Tribes, Inc. and the University of Georgia; and,
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that United Southeastern Tribes utilize all means available to insure the refunding of the Georgia project.

## CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. legally and duly held at Sarasota, Florida, on November 30, 1971.

Phillip Martin

President

United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.

Howard Tommie

Secretary

United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.