

Resolution No. USET-72-13

INDIAN ALCOHOLISM TRAINING PROGRAM AT THE ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

- WHEREAS: the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., a non-profit 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 non-profit purposes, and
- WHEREAS: USET is concerned and active in supporting total self-determination on behalf of all our constituent tribes, and
- WHEREAS: training of Indian alcoholism counsellors is one of the top priorities of our USET organization, and
- WHEREAS: the Atlanta University, the Office of Economic Opportunity and the American Indian Commission on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse have initiated, developed and implemented an Indian Alcoholism Training Program at the Atlanta University without Indian input, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the USET Board of Directors does not endorse or support the American Indian Commission on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (its total national program) and the Atlanta University's Indian Alcoholism Training Program until further action is taken, otherwise and until the following questions are clarified and answered, acceptable to the USET Board of Directors:

1. Why wasn't USET or any of the affiliated tribes even informed of the development of this program to be of service to our constituent programs and communities?
2. Why were federal funds appropriated for Indian services without Indian involvement or endorsement?
3. How does the Atlanta University expect to realistically train alcoholism counselors from Indian programs without indigeous knowledge of Indian community or program needs?
4. How does OEO expect local Indian programs to participate in this training program, at the costs to the Indian program as stipulated, when programs currently have very limited funds budgeted for off-reservation academic training?
5. Why didn't Atlanta University, OEO or the American Indian Commission on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse acquaint themselves with the Alcoholism and Mental Health Educational and Training Program priorities of the United Southeastern Tribes, so that duplication of efforts and services might be avoided?

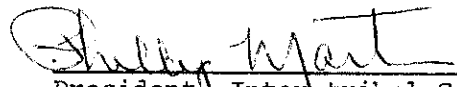
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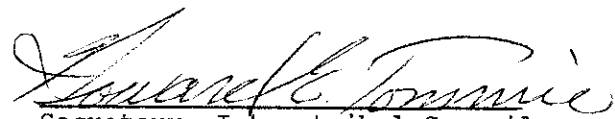
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6. Under what prerogative has the American Indian Commission on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse assisted the Atlanta University in soliciting Indian trainees and initially staffing the program?

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held in Nashville, Tennessee, June 7 - 9, 1972, the above resolution was duly adopted.


President, Inter-tribal Council
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.


Secretary, Inter-tribal Council
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