## UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

## RESOLUTION NO. 73-26

# RE: Intermountain School

- WHEREAS, this Board of Directors has been informed that the Bureau of Indian Affairs plans to close Intermountain School, a large government boarding school in Brigham City, Utah, and
- WHEREAS, this decision has been based on the sole fact that the Navajo Nation, current users of the school, no longer need the facility, and
- WHEREAS, we are urging a National Needs Assessment Survey be conducted with input assured from several national Indian organizations such as:

  National Congress of American Indians, National Tribal Chairmen's Association, and the major Inter-Tribal Councils for regional input, and
- WHEREAS, we also urge that attention be directed toward children with education handicaps, emotional problems, family home situations, drop-outs, and cultural shock problems. This is the children that our national 70% reservation drop-out group is made up of, and
- WHEREAS, this Board would also desire that the solo-parent training and education needs be considered in this survey, and
- WHEREAS, we are aware that Intermountain School's plant is in excellent state of repair and appraised at \$45,000,000.00, we are also aware of the fact that BIA spent \$2,500,000.00 in FY-73-74 remodeling and modernizing the school, and
- WHEREAS, this Board is also informed that several million 89-10 Title I funds have been spent to prepare this school to serve children with special problems, and
- WHEREAS, Intermountain School has: 29 modernized dormitories, classrooms and extensive vocational shops, 2 gyms, indoor swimming pool, language and science laboratories, remodeled dining facilities, reading center, media production center, indoor and outdoor recreation facilities, and a library,
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Board urges that Intermountain School be redirected to a National All-Tribe School for students with special problems, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a national needs assessment survey be conducted to determine all possible other uses.

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# CERT IF ICATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held in Nashville, Tennessee, November 19-21, 1973, the above resolution was duly adopted by a unanimous vote.

HOWARD TOMMTE

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