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.
CERTIFICATION

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.

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