

R E S O L U T I O N  
NO. 75-02  
UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

RE: AMERICAN INDIAN POLICY REVIEW COMMISSION, P.L. 93-580

WHEREAS, the Federally Recognized Tribes (FRT) have been intended by the Act to be recipients of this review, under the responsibilities placed upon Congress by the United States Constitution and which have been interpreted by the United States Supreme Court as plenary, and

WHEREAS, there are currently no bonafide representatives of FRT on the Committee, and

WHEREAS, the process for selecting such commission members as interpreted in the Act has been completely ignored and disregarded, and

WHEREAS, the FRT must make a stand now to protect our special trust relationship with the Federal Government to ensure continued commitments and efforts towards Tribal sovereignty, maintain our culture, and ensure the continued development of our land and natural resources, and

WHEREAS, we feel that Congress has failed the FRT in selecting Indian Members on the Commission and staff, and

WHEREAS, the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., and its member tribes do not recognize or accept the Commission and its staff as presently constituted until the intent and purposes of the Act are complied with by the Congress according to the dictates of Public Law 93-580.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that action be immediately instituted as follows:

1. That the Senate Appropriations Committee in both Houses not make appropriations available for the implementation of the Indian Policy Review Commission until the intent and purposes of the Act are complied with by the Congress according to the dictates of Public Law 93-580.
2. That the President of the United States, Gerald Ford, veto any appropriation of funds for the administration and activation of the American Indian Policy Review Commission until the intent and purposes of the Act are complied with by the Congress according to the dictates of Public Law 93-580.

RESOLUTION (Cont'd)

3. That Congress and its appropriate Committee appoint three (3) bonafide Tribal Officials as recommended by major FRT's and their inter-tribal and national organizations as Members of the American Indian Policy Review Commission.
4. That a meeting be convened immediately with the President of the United States and selected FRT leaders to promptly resolve this crucial issue concerning current and proposed Federal policy.

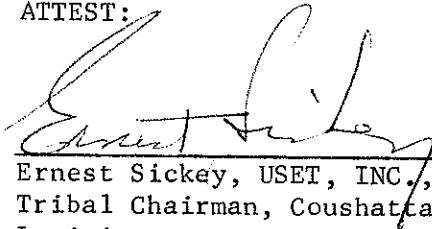
CERTIFICATION

This Resolution officially adopted during a special meeting of the United Southeastern Tribes Executive Committee, this 21st day of March, 1975 in Washington, D.C., by unanimous vote.

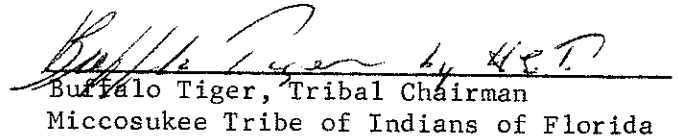


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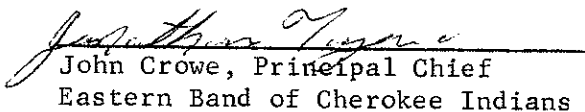
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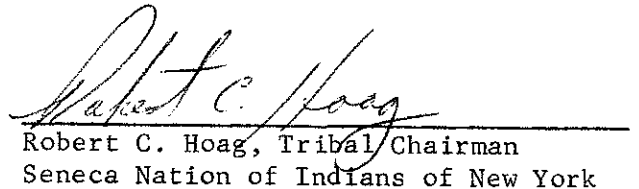
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Tribal Chairman, Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana



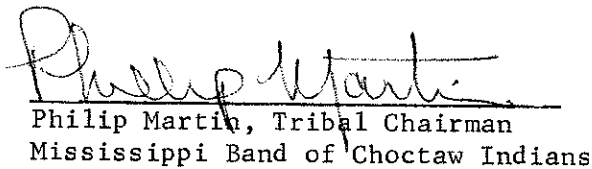
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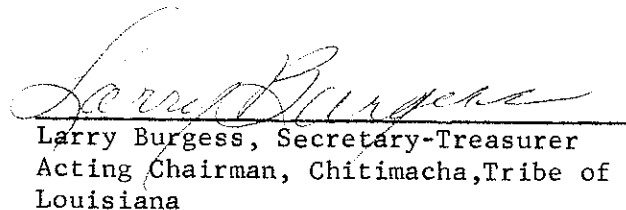
John Crowe, Principal Chief  
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Robert C. Hoag, Tribal Chairman  
Seneca Nation of Indians of New York



Philip Martin, Tribal Chairman  
Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians



Larry Burgess, Secretary-Treasurer  
Acting Chairman, Chitimacha, Tribe of Louisiana