Resolution of Support for Legal Research and Services Department Proposal

WHEREAS, the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. Legal Research and Services Department has been of great benefit to United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. and its Member Tribes in providing legal support in such areas as jurisdiction of Indian Tribes, land rights, resource rights, development of tribal codes, assisting Tribal Governments and inter-tribal organizations in solving legal problems, and;

WHEREAS, the Legal Research and Services Department has been responsive to the needs of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. Member Tribes, and;

WHEREAS, continued operation of the Department is endangered by lack of adequate funds, and;

WHEREAS, discontinuance of the Department through lack of funding would be a serious handicap to United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. and the Member Tribes because of the important legal problems facing the Member Tribes:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. fully endorse all efforts to obtain funds needed to continue the Legal Research and Services Department from foundations and other sources.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above resolution No. was adopted at a regular meeting of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., Executive Committee, legally and duly held in Nashville, Tennessee on September 17, 1975.

HOWARD E. TOMMIE, President, USET Chairman, Seminole Tribe of Florida

ERNEST SICKEY, Secretary, USET Chairman, Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana