UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-24

RE: BIA Contracts Reimbursement

WHEREAS,	the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. Board of Directors,
	at its Semi-Annual Board meeting held in Cherokee, North Carolina on May 26-29, and

WHEREAS, some United Southeastern Tribes are contracting Bureau of Indian Affairs programs, and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has in the past shown a lack of concern as to the Tribes receiving contract funds on a regularly scheduled basis, and

WHEREAS, United Southeastern Tribes who contract programs have questioned the procedures of reimbursement currently being used by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. Board of Directors recommends that the Bureau of Indian Affairs should improve the reimbursement procedures to the Tribal contracts in order to minimize delay, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. strongly recommends that the Bureau of Indian Affairs establish a letter of authorization and funds to pay for any interest incurred on loans required due to late receipt of contract reimbursement if no other procedure is established.

Howard E. Tommie, President

United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.

Ernest Sickey, Secretary

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