UNIONED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 77-14

OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

WHEREAS: HDW/OHD has again changed the operation of the ONAP/ANA grant system WITHOUT the consultation, advice, and consent of the Indian Tribes of the United States, and

WHEREAS: these changes will leave priorities with ONAP/ANA rather than with the individual Tribes, and

WHEREAS: the local planning process will now be forced back into the paternalism of years gone by, and

WHEREAS: the "project specific" and "project period" competitive grant system adopted will allow the Tribes very little flexibility, and

WHEREAS: the proposed rules and regulations published in the Federal Register, January 13, 1976, bear little resemblance to the final regs. published in the Federal Register, January 19, 1977, in direct violation of the Administrative Procedures Act, and

WHEREAS: it appears as though ONAP/ANA has removed every ability for Tribe/Grantees to control their own federal programs and work within the spirit as well as fact of self-determination.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Executive Committee of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., at which a quorum is present, that the member tribes of United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. do unanimously request that NO change be made in the ONAP/ANA program/grant procedures until a complete and legally acceptable explanation of the proposed changes are presented to ALL the Indian Tribes of the United States and the Tribes be given adequate time to consider and comment on the proposed changes.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Executive Board of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held in Nashville, Tn. on September 8, 1977, the above resolution was duly adopted.

President, Jonathan E. Taylor
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.

Secretary, Mike Tiger
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.