

UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES INC.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-1

RE: INSUFFICIENT CONTRACT SUPPORT
FUNDS

- WHEREAS, the principle of self-determination represents a process whereby the control over programs, personnel, and services to Indians is transferred from Federal to tribal government, and
- WHEREAS, this transition of control is being directly reflected by the increased activity in contracting between the Federal Agencies and U.S.E.T. Tribes, and
- WHEREAS, the practice of tribal contracting for services that were previously provided by the Federal agencies has created a need for the establishment of an administrative vehicle, and the subsequent funding necessary for contract support purposes, and
- WHEREAS, the Eastern Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs has notified the Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. that a short-fall exists in the critical area of Contract Support monies, and
- WHEREAS, this short-fall was created by a collective need of \$297,148 for Contract Support monies contained in the proposals submitted by individual tribes and committed by the Bureau in contract negotiations prior to October 1, 1977, and
- WHEREAS, the final allocations for F.Y. 1978 to the Eastern Area Office for Contract Support monies was in the amount of \$150,000, thus resulting in a deficiency of approximately \$147,000, and
- WHEREAS, the Eastern Area Office has been allocated \$287,000 in F.Y. 1978 for Technical Assistance and Training purposes, which are currently unobligated,
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. in a duly held meeting in Nashville, Tennessee on March 29, 1978, at which a quorum was present, strongly urges the Eastern Area Director and the Assistant Secretary of Interior for Indian Affairs authorize the use of \$147,000 of T & T/A funds to absorb the existing deficiency in the present tribal contract support funds in the Eastern Area, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that program funds be utilized to fund Contract Support monies to the extent feasible and agreeable between the Eastern Area Office and the individual tribes for all contracts negotiated after October 1, 1977, and for any that remain to be negotiated throughout the remainder of F.Y. 1978, and

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED the the Eastern Area Director and the Assistant Secretary of Interior for Indian Affairs take appropriate and corrective action to assure that the recurring problem of insufficient contract support monies will be resolved in the future.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc. properly convened and held in Nashville, Tennessee, on March 29, 1978, the above resolution was duly adopted.

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

Michael D. Tiger, Secretary
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.