## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS FREDERICKS OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INDIAN AFFAIRS

## RESOLUTION NO. 80-1

WHEREAS,	the United south and Eastern Tribes is on Inter-
	Tribal Council which, represents ten federally
	recognized American Indian Tribes in the Eastern
	United States, and

WHEREAS,	at present	the position of Assistant Secretary
	for Indian	Affairs, Department of the Interior
	is vacant,	and

WHEREAS,	in recent months the issues of equitable base
	funding for the Eastern Area BIA and the imple-
w + * *	mentation of the Eastern Area Management Improve-
	ment Program have been brought to the attention
	of and discussed with the previous Assistant
	Secretary for Indian Affairs, and

WHEREAS,	the Eastern Area BIA has one of the greatest
	potentials for percentage growth of service
•	areas in the United States and that the Base
•	funding has been historically low for its
	growth, and

WHEREAS, it is of utmost importance to the Eastern Area
Tribes that the aforementioned issues be addressed at the Assistant Secretary level; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the vacant position be filled as soon as possible, so that a continuing dialogue can be maintained at the Assistant Secretary level and that the needs and requests of the Eastern area Tribes should be reviewed by the New Assistant Secretary as his first priority;

that currently Mr. Thomas Fredericks is being considered for the position of Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the United South And Eastern Tribes support the appointment of Mr. Thomas Fredericks as Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs.

## CERTIFICATION

This resolution was adopted at a joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the Administrative Operations Committee of the Board of Directors of the United South and Eastern Tribes, February 29, 1980.

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