A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EASTERN REGIONAL EDUCATION OFFICE TO OPERATE WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE OF AN EASTERN REGIONAL SERVICE CENTER.

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Indian Affairs has recently issued a report from the Southeast Regional Education Task Force defining an organizational structure for a proposed Southeast Regional Education Office, to serve Oklahoma, Kansas, and the Eastern tribes, and

WHEREAS, In a meeting with the Deputy Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs (Operations) on April 27, it was agreed that an Eastern Office for non-educational BIA programs would be maintained, and

WHEREAS, Such a plan has now been developed and reviewed by the representatives of the member tribes of the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., and

WHEREAS, The current Eastern Area Office provides office space for and administrative assistance to a education office serving the Eastern tribes answering directly to the central Office of Indian Education Programs, and

WHEREAS, The maintenance of an Eastern presence in the non-education area is a necessity equally applicable to education programs, and

WHEREAS, A regional education office be established in Washington, DC with administrative support available from the Eastern Regional Service Center,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of United South and Eastern Tribes does hereby request the Secretary of the Interior to establish an Eastern Regional Education Office, housed in the same office complex as the Eastern Regional Service Center with staffing adequate to provide education services in the East;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., does hereby point out to the Secretary of the Interior that the costs of such an office would be minimal, staff costs only, and that all services associated with grants and contracts, data processing, and clerical support could be furnished by the Eastern Regional Service Center.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at a Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, held on May 19, 1982.

Leonard V. Garrow
President

Curtis Osceola
Secretary