RESOLUTION No. B-88-206

WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. represents seventeen federally recognized tribes in the South and Eastern United States, and

WHEREAS, The National Advisory Council on Indian Education (NACIE) is a Presidentially-appointed body which serves several functions, including preparation for the White House Conference, dissemination of information on Indian Education and oversight of Indian Education concerns, and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has been entrusted with the responsibility to oversee the best interest of Indian people, but has historically not fulfilled this obligation, and

WHEREAS, there is the possibility that the Federal Government will appoint the BIA to oversee all Indian Education programs, which cannot be deemed as a positive prospect for Indian people, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the USET Board request of Congress that NACIE be entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing Indian Education programs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that USET charge NACIE to fulfill its existing responsibilities of acting as watchdog and informational clearinghouse with regard to Indian Education issues and concerns in a timely manner.

CERTIFICATION

The above resolution was passed at the Annual Board meeting in Miami, FL, December 12-16, 1988, at which a quorum was present.

Joel Frank, President

Harold Tarbell, Secretary