

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. B-89-252

REQUEST THAT THE USET STAFF INVESTIGATE AVENUES FOR SECURING  
CLEAR APPLICABILITY OF FTCA COVERAGE TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of 18 federally-recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, USET is firmly committed to the goal of advancing the health care status of Indian people to the highest level possible; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board has established the USET Health Directors Committee for the purpose of reviewing issues of concern and policy regarding health care programs for and/or affecting USET member tribes, and to provide the Board with proposed recommendations and resolutions for the Board's consideration; and

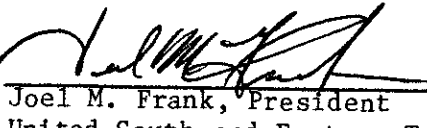
WHEREAS, the USET Health Directors Committee has reviewed the issue of the Federal Tort Claims Act extension as provided in P.L. 100-472; and

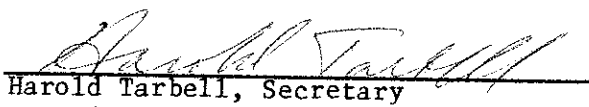
WHEREAS, several tribes in the USET area are concerned that provisions of this extension of coverage are still unclear and imprecise, that the extension does not include certain health professionals (i.e. alcohol/substance abuse counselors) or volunteers, and that the tribal programs may be legally vulnerable to claims and/or may lose valuable medical staff with severe impacts upon the quality of care available,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the USET staff be directed to investigate avenues for securing clear applicability of coverage to health care facilities (including technical amendments to legislation if necessary).

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Houston, Texas; November 15, 1989.

  
Joel M. Frank, President  
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

  
Harold Tarbell, Secretary  
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.