UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. B-89-259

REQUEST FOR INCREASED FUNDING FOR HIGHER EDUCATION UNDER BIA AND DOE

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

WHEREAS, the costs of post-secondary education have increased steadily for the past ten years; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Appropriations for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Higher Education Programs and the Department of Education's (DOE) Higher Education Program budgets have remained virtually the same with no increases over the same period; and

WHEREAS, the percentages of students seeking Higher Education have increased while funding is cut or remains stagnant; and

WHEREAS, this stagnant funding level has resulted in fewer students being funded and decreased opportunities for Native American students to pursue a higher education,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board lobby intensely for increased funding for Higher Education under the BIA and DOE; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the USET Board formally contact the Secretaries of Education and Interior to support the need for more funds in Higher Education.

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.