

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. B-89-263

REQUEST THAT THE BIA-OIEP RE-EXAMINE THE SPECIAL
EDUCATION PROGRAM FUNDING ALLOCATION PROCESS

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

WHEREAS, the BIA Office of Indian Education Programs (OIEP) Office of Exceptional Education, administers and distributes funds to the BIA and contract schools under P.L. 94-142 Education of the Handicapped as amended by P.L. 99-457, Preschool Handicapped Program; and

WHEREAS, the BIA-OIEP, Office of Exceptional Programs in FY 90 elected to change the funding year to a July-June cycle while the BIA ISEP (School Operations Grant) cycle remains at October-September; and

WHEREAS, the amount of P.L. 94-142 funding received by the schools is dependent upon the amount of special education funding received under ISEP and depends on the full obligation/expenditure of ISEP special education funding; and

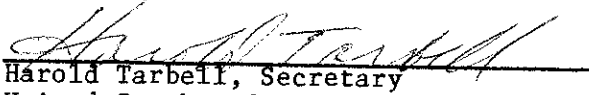
WHEREAS, the local management of funds from two sources, one of which is entirely supplemental (94-142), allocated under two separate funding cycles with little or no clarification from OIEP on fiscal managements of these funds has resulted in much confusion at the local levels,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board petition BIA-OIEP to re-examine the Special Education Program funding allocation process to determine its continued feasibility, and especially to determine if the process is intended to improve services to handicapped children and to establish consistency between the management of the two funding sources.

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.