

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.


Resolution No. B-90-284

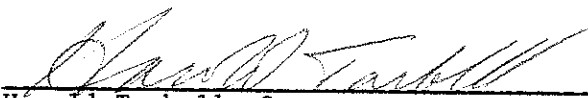
DOE PROPOSED REDUCTION IN HIGHER EDUCATION  
FELLOWSHIPS IN THE FY 1991 BUDGET

- WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of 18 federally-recognized tribes; and
- WHEREAS, the Department of Education (DOE) and the Office of Indian Education (OIE) has proposed a reduction in its Higher Education Fellowships in its FY 1991 budget proposal; and
- WHEREAS, the DOE itself has pronounced publicly on numerous occasions that Higher Education is a priority and has been underfunded for ten years; and
- WHEREAS, of the 600 applications, only 120 were funded in FY 1990, and of those, 95 were graduate students and only 25 were undergraduate students; and
- WHEREAS, there is not only an obvious need for more funding but also a need for a priority system encouraging more undergraduate fellowships to be awarded,
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board request and lobby for the DOE-OIE to restore at least last year's figure for Fellowships in the FY 1991 budget proposal; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT USET charge the DOE-OIE to re-examine its Fellowship program to emphasize undergraduate student selection as a priority.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, DC; March 8, 1990.

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

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