UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. B-90-300

TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL TO CONTRACT PROGRAMS, FUNCTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF, OF THE EASTERN AREA OFFICE OF THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET, Inc. Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors is comprised of delegates from the member tribes leadership; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of P.L. 93-638, the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975; and those of P.L. 100-472, the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act Amendments of 1988, clearly state that the policy of the federal government is to encourage, support, and assist Indian tribal governments and tribal organizations in the planning and implementation of programs for their benefit through the contracting of these programs with relevant federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of P.L. 100-472 further state that "the Secretary is directed, upon the request of any Indian tribe, by tribal resolution, to enter into a self-determination, and to contract with a tribal organization, to plan, conduct, and administer programs or portions thereof..."; and

WHEREAS, the programs of the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs are included under the provisions of P.L. 100-472; and

WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs currently operates the Eastern Area Office in Arlington, Virginia for the purpose of planning, conducting, and implementing service programs for the federally-recognized tribes in that region, including all of the member USET tribes; and

WHEREAS, it is the legal right and privilege, granted under P.L. 93-638 and P.L. 100-472, that the tribes served by the Eastern Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs may choose to contract to provide the functions and programs, and portions thereof, that are currently being provided by the staff of this Area Office; and
WHEREAS, in choosing to so contract for these functions and programs, these tribes may designate a tribal organization to perform such functions and conduct such programs on their behalf; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board directs the Executive Director to prepare a proposal for review by the full Board at its next meeting for the purpose of contracting functions, programs or portions thereof, of the Eastern Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Nashville, Tennessee; on August 14, 1990.

Joel M. Frank, Sr., President             Terry B. Martin, Secretary
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