## UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

## Resolution No. 92-01

## NON-COMPETITIVE DISTRIBUTION OF ICWA FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1992

- WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty (20) 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, it is the intent of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Assistant Secretary Dr. Eddie Brown, to distribute Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) funds on a competitive basis for FY 1992; and
- WHEREAS, the competitive process of ICWA funding is unstable and unreliable creating the possibility that programs for our children will be funded one year and not the next and because this results in a discontinuation of services to the greatest asset of Indian people, our children and families, and because this lapse or interruption in services is devastating to our children and families:
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the USET Board of Directors hereby does not support the competitive distribution of ICWA funds for FY 1992; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the USET staff communicate this resolution to the Central Office/Eastern Area Office, as well as to the Assistant Secretary, Dr. Eddie Brown.

## CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, DC on February 27, 1992.

·cc Eddie L. Tullis, President United South and Eastern

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Lovelin Poncho, Secretary United South and Eastern

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