UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.
Resolution No. 92-04MV

PETITION TO THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TO INCREASE ADMINISTRATIVE COST FUNDING IN FISCAL YEAR 1992, 1993 AND 1994

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, Public Law 100-297 establishes an administrative cost grant where the amount is determined by a formula contained in the Law; and

WHEREAS, the administrative cost grant applies to all schools operated by Tribes under 638 contracts or grants and therefore is received in lieu of indirect cost for programs operated by the school; and

WHEREAS, the funding of administrative cost grants for fiscal year 1992 is at 79% of the legally required amount; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs budgets for fiscal year 1993 and 1994 do not project any increase in the administrative cost budget line; and

WHEREAS, failure to increase the funding for administrative cost in fiscal years 1992, 1993 and 1994 will result in a shortfall of 21% the first year and far greater amounts in subsequent years; and

WHEREAS, the shortage in administrative cost funds is the result of failure of the Bureau of Indian Affairs to request sufficient funds to meet this need.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the USET Board of Directors petition the Bureau of Indian Affairs to find funds to cover the shortfall of administrative costs in 1992; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that USET request Congress to increase the administrative cost budget to 26 million in 1993 and Tribally identified need for 1994.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which quorum was present, in Martha's Vineyard on April 29, 1992.

Eddie L. Tullis, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Lovelin Poncho, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.