UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 92-05MV

BOARD AUTHORIZATION FOR USET, INC. TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM IHS-OPEL

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, the USET Tribal Health Programs have invested time and resources toward the development and implementation of the Indian health Services data system known as the Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS); and

WHEREAS, there has been a continuing struggle in coordinating both technical assistance and development of data systems that would meet Tribal health programs management information needs and quality management efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal health programs of the USET area area fully cognizant of their specific Tribal data needs and health system needs; and

WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service Nashville Area Office, by its own admission is unable to provide assistance beyond the set up and maintenance of the RPMS hardware and update of IHS developed software due to its own staff shortages and agency priorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors authorizes USET, Inc. to apply for grant funds from IHS-OPEL in order to evaluate the Tribal health program data systems needs and provide technical assistance where necessary to all USET Tribal Health Programs in their quality management information systems development.

CERTIFICATION

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

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

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