UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 92-18MV

- AUTHORIZATION FOR NAO/IHS TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER LOCATED ON THE CHEROKEE INDIAN RESERVATION
- 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, in an effort to promote education and training and to enhance USET's ability to provide regional wide training; and
- WHEREAS, by establishing a regional training center USET member Tribes will have the ability to offer employees and Tribal members the opportunity of higher education and training; and
- WHEREAS, by providing training and continuing education courses, USET member Tribes will have greater ability to attract and retain qualified employees; and
 - .EREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian Tribe has passed a Tribal Council Resolution to establish and designate Cherokee, North Carolina as a Regional Technical Training Center; and
- WHEREAS, in collaboration with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian Resolution, the USET Board of Directors also view the need to establish a Regional Technical Training Center as a high priority; and
- WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian Tribe Boundary currently has the Cherokee Service Unit Hospital; and
- WHEREAS, the Nashville Area Office (NAO) provides technical assistance and quality management through the NAO of Technical Support Center located in Cherokee, North Carolina; and
- WHEREAS the NAO of the Indian Health Service is requested to assist the USET Board of Directors and the Cherokee Tribe in establishing the resources necessary, and technical assistance to develop this Center; and
- WHEREAS, the Western Carolina University and Southwestern Community College, located on Cherokee Indian Reservation, are interested in supporting the establishment of a technical/training center in Cherokee; and
- ..dEREAS, the USET technical/training center will provide USET member Tribes and Tribal members educational services that are not currently available.

- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors hereby authorize the NAO/IHS to establish a Regional Technical/Training Center to be located on the Cherokee Indian Reservation; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the NAO/IHS will assist USET to establish the capacity to provide technical/training and continuing education to professionals and para-professionals from USET member Tribes.

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

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Lovelin Poncho, Secretary United South and Eastern

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