UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

RESOLUTION NO 93-03DC

BOARD AUTHORIZATION FOR USET, INC. TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT PROPOSALS/CONTRACTS/GRANTS

- 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, USET is firmly committed to the goal of advancing the tribal management status of Indian people to the highest level possible; 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 portion thereof ..."; and
- WHEREAS, the programs of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Public Health Service (PHS) and the Indian Health Service (IHS) are included under the provisions of P.L. 100-472; and
- WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service (IHS) and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) currently operate Area Offices for the purpose of planning, conducting and implementing services and programs for the federally recognized tribes in these regions, including all of the member USET tribes; and
- WHEREAS, it is the legal right and privilege, granted under P.L. 93-938 and P.L. 100-472, that the tribes served by IHS and BIA may choose to contract to provide the functions and programs, and portions thereof, that are currently

being provided by the staff of the IHS/BIA Area Offices; 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;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of USET directs the Executive Director to prepare and submit to the various federal agencies (i.e. BIA, IHS, HHS) proposals, contracts and grants that will benefit the membership of USET.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly approved at the Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, DC, on February 25, 1993.

Eddie L. Tullis, President United South and Eastern

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Keller George, Secretary United South and Eastern

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