UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

RESOLUTION NO 93-09DC

REQUEST FOR FULL IHS INDIRECT COST FUNDING

- 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 Indian Self-Determination Act, as amended, provides for full collection by tribal governments contracting for the operation of Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and Indian Health Service (IHS) programs of indirect cost at rates set by the tribe's cognizant federal agency; and
- WHEREAS, officials of IHS are reporting that there will be an estimated shortfall of some \$1.3 million in funding for tribal indirect costs during fiscal year 1993; and
- whereas, for federally recognized Indian tribal governments, without an available local tax base, indirect cost is the only method available to them to assure adequate, efficient and effective administration of federal programs at the local level.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of USET hereby respectfully urges appropriation committees of the Senate and the House of representatives to consider introduction of emergency supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1993 to meet the \$1.3 million shortfall in tribal indirect cost in the Indian Health Service (IHS) budget.

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

Tribes, Inc.

Keller George, Secretary United South and Eastern

Tribes, Inc.