

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. ~~93~~-05LA

ESTABLISH A NETWORK FOR NATIVE LANGUAGE TEACHERS

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-one (21) 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 Board of Directors is interested in establishing a network for Native American culture and language educators to promote, initiate and implement the exchange of language, curriculum programming; and

WHEREAS, Native American languages are in jeopardy of extinction if Tribal Leaders, educators and community members do not take the initiative to promote the Tribal language the repercussions will entail extinction of the Native "spoken" languages; and

WHEREAS, the 102nd Congress enacted the Native American Language Act of 1992, authorizing a program of grants to Tribal governments, to be administered by the Administration for Native Americans to help assure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American Languages; and

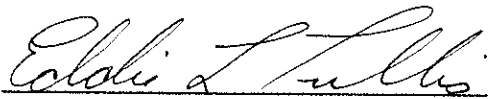
WHEREAS, the USET Board recognized the importance of this resource in maintaining and perpetuating our Native Languages.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the USET Board of directors supports the establishment of a Native American Language Instructors network; and

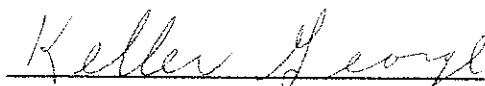
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors supports funding for the network to be sought from available sources.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors meeting at which a quorum was present in Lafayette, LA on December 8, 1993.



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



Keller George, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.