UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC

RESOLUTION NO. 93-18NC

CREATION OF A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION AND BOARD TO DEVELOP AND OVERSEE A CULTURAL CENTER IN NASHVILLE FOR THE TWENTY (20) MEMBER TRIBES

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. (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 preservation of tribal culture is a fundamental goal of USET; and

WHEREAS, USET shares with its member Tribes an interest in promoting an appreciation and understanding of the diversity of the cultures of the Tribes from the Eastern and Southern United States; and

WHEREAS, USET has supported and authorized the establishment of a cultural center for the USET Tribes; and

WHEREAS, USET envisions a cultural center which would focus on the history, music, dance, artwork, language and other aspects of the culture of the Tribes of the Eastern and Southern United States; and

WHEREAS, such a cultural center would promote public awareness and knowledge for Indian culture, and would provide a forum for the dissemination of educational information regarding Indian culture; and

WHEREAS, to move forward with the cultural center, a separate entity is needed to seek funding, develop and implement plans, and operate the cultural center; and

WHEREAS, to enable contributions to the cultural center to be tax deductible the organization should be a non-profit corporation; and

WHEREAS, to be responsive to the member Tribes, the organization should have a Board comprised of one member appointed by each USET member Tribe; and

WHEREAS, adequate provisions should be made to provide the organization with input and participation by those with expertise in various aspects of Indian culture, and those with experience in operation museums and like entities

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board supports the creation of a new, non-profit corporation to develop a cultural center project in Nashville for the reservation and enhancement of Tribal culture for the USET member tribes; and
IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT each member Tribe of USET shall be authorized to appoint a Board member to the new corporation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the new corporation shall implement the objectives set forth in this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Corporation to be created will have oversight responsibility over the development, operation, and maintenance of the cultural center.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Cherokee, NC, on May 15, 1993.

Eddie L. Tullis, President  Keller George, Secretary
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