UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 94-02-DC

CALLING FOR AMENDMENT TO THE USET BYLAWS

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (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 Bylaws of USET, Inc. provide for two regular meetings per year, in May and November "or as soon thereafter as is convenient;" and

WHEREAS, special meetings of the Board are also provided for in the Bylaws, which "may be called by the President or shall be called at the written request of ten members;" and

WHEREAS, the number of full USET Board of Directors’ meetings has risen over the years, and the total number of USET meetings, including the USET committees that have been established over the last two years has grown very large; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Directors of USET, Inc. are the chief executive officers of tribal governments with very full schedules, and many simply cannot afford to remove an entire week from their schedule in order to participate in a USET Board meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws provide (at Article V) that actions to amend the Bylaws "may be taken at a regular or special meeting for which written notice, including the text of the proposed amendment...shall be given at least ten days prior to the meeting;" and

WHEREAS, restricting special Board of Directors meetings to specific items could reduce both their number and the number of required for each meeting.

"Because there is strength in Unity"
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. does hereby direct the President and Executive Director to prepare an amendment to the USET Bylaws for consideration at the next regular board meeting in May of 1994, to wit:

"In Article III, Section 7, after the words 'Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or shall be called at the written request of ten members.', add the following new sentence: 'Items to be discussed at special meetings shall be restricted to those items listed in the President’s call for the meeting or in the ten members’ written request for a meeting.'"

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Washington Impact Week meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, D.C. on February 24, 1994.

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

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