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Resolution No. 11/94-18FL

EVERGLADES LAWSUIT

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 Tribe's leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Everglades is the traditional homeland of the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida and their Federal Reservation is located in the Everglades; and


WHEREAS, the Miccosukee Tribe, has entered into a lawsuit against the Department of Interior for Interior's failure to include the Tribe in substantive meetings concerning Everglades Restoration; and

WHEREAS, such exclusion from said meetings is a violation of the sacred trust responsibility the Department of Interior has for Indian Tribes.


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors continues their support of the Miccosukee Tribe in their lawsuit against the Department of Interior and further request and demand that the Department of Interior exercise their trust responsibility to the Miccosukee Tribe by settling this lawsuit by recognizing the Miccosukee Tribe's of Florida Sovereign Rights and concerns for their traditional homeland.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors meeting at which a quorum was present, in Tampa, FL, on November 10, 1994.



Eddie L. Tullis, President
United South and Eastern Tribes



Keller George, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes

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