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UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 11/94-19FL

FLOODED CONDITIONS ON THE MICCOSUKEE TRIBE OF INDIANS OF FLORIDA'S TAMIAMI TRAIL RESERVATION

- 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 Tribe's leadership; and
- WHEREAS, the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida (Miccosukee Tribe) is currently experiencing flood conditions on its Tamiami Trail Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, this high water has adversely impacted Tribal infrastructure and significantly increased the potential for health hazards from dysfunctional water distribution and waste treatment systems; and
- whereas, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) has indicated that removal of the vegetation from the ends of the gateway channel and opening of the gates on the L-67 Extension channel are both positive actions the COE could undertake to reduce flooding impacts on the Miccosukee Tribe and believes that implementation of these actions would significantly reduce these impacts; and
- WHEREAS, the COE cannot take such measures without the permission of Everglades National Park (ENP); and
- whereas, the Superintendent of ENP refuses to give permission to the COE to allow them to take these necessary actions to alleviate the flooded conditions on the Miccosukee Tamiami Trail Reservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors do hereby demand that the Secretary of the Interior direct the Superintendent of ENP to allow the COE to take the necessary actions to alleviate the flooded conditions on the Miccosukee Tamiami Trail Reservation.

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, Inc.

Keller George, Secretary United South and Eastern

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