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UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 11/94-24FL

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING EASTERN AREA OFFICE AND FUTURE LEADERSHIP

- 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, B. D. Ott has been the Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Eastern Area Office for nearly ten years, since the retirement of Harry Rainbolt; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Ott announced to the assembled USET tribes in Lafayette, Louisiana, in December of 1993 and retired from his position in October of 1994; and
- WHEREAS, a change in leadership in the Eastern Area Office appointed Area Director should be familiar with USET and the EAO; and
- WHEREAS, the Eastern Area Office is in need of reorganization in order to efficiently be a service provider and advocate technical support centers for the tribal governments in the Eastern Area; and
- WHEREAS, members of the United South and Eastern Tribes are well acquainted with the needs and goals of reservation-based tribal governments and with the importance of the policy of Indian self-determination to reservation social and economic development

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., does hereby request the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs to select an Area Director to the Eastern Area Office, and to initiate the process of filling the position as soon as possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., does hereby endorse candidates for the position of Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs Eastern Area Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the United South and Eastern Tribes, acting in its capacity as the Advisory Council to the BIA Eastern Area within the accepted EAO, organization chart, does hereby authorize USET Executive Director to carry out this Resolution, including contacting the Secretary's Office and the appropriate Congressional committees for this very important concern.

CERTIFICATION

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

Eddie L. Tullis, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Keller George, Secretary,

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.