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Resolution No. 11/94-25FL

SUPPORT THE IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION OF P.L. 103-413, "THE INDIAN SELF-DETERMINATION ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1994"

- 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, USET is firmly committed to the goal of advancing the health care status of Indian people to the highest level possible; and
- WHEREAS, the USET Board has established the USET Health Directors' Committee for the purpose of reviewing issues of concern and policy regarding health care programs for and/or affecting USET member tribes, and to provide the Board with proposed recommendations and resolutions for the Board's consideration; and
- WHEREAS, the President signed P.L. 103-413, "The Indian Self-Determination Act Amendments of 1994", into law on October 25, 1994 effective immediately; and
- WHEREAS, this act specifies the terms of contracts entered into by the United States and Indian Tribes and tribal organizations under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act; and
- WHEREAS, Federal Agencies have historically moved slowly to implement such legislation which is critical to tribes and tribal organizations; and
- WHEREAS, Tribal contracts with Federal Agencies may expire before P.L. 103-413 is fully implemented by the agencies; and

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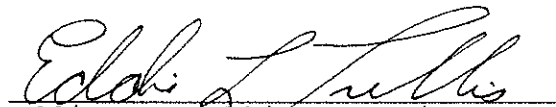
WHEREAS, this may create the potential for misinterpretation of Federal and Tribal responsibilities and subsequent appeals which would be destructive to the delivery of associated services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. does hereby:

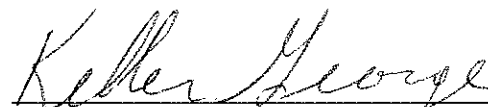
- 1) Express its support for the Indian Self-Determination Act Amendments of 1994 and the actions taken by Congress to resolve the gridlock in the joint BIA-IHS implementation of P.L. 93-638.
- 2) Demand the immediate development of regulations and implementation guidelines for all portions of the legislation which are not self-implementing.
- 3) Demand that the Indian Health Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs execute regulations and guidelines to implement P.L. 103-413 within 90 days.

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



Keller George, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes