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UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES

Resolution No. 94-47-TN

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE LANGUAGE TO THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGES TO 25CFR PART 20

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) is an inter-tribal organization

comprised of twenty-one (21) federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET 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 language contained in the proposed changes to 25CFR Part 20 as

published in the Federal Register/Volume 59 No. 67 Thursday, April 7.

1994 / Proposed Rules ¶ 20.23 (a) (4) (ii) is culturally insensitive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors direct the President

of USET to contact by June 6, 1994 David Hickman, Chief Division of Social Services, BIA Central Office, to amend the proposed rules to strike all of the proposed language in ¶ 20.23 (4) (ii) and amend the language in ¶ 20.23 (5) to read "In absence of a locally established Tribal/State/county rate, the approved payment rate shall by the national maximum burial payment rate to be established annually by the Assistant Secretary" and ¶ 20.23 (5) "and ¶ 20.23 (7) shall read "Upon request, funds to assist with a culturally relevant tribal burial practice may be approved if all other factors of eligibility are met. The rate of payment for this purpose, together with either burial assistance shall not exceed the rate established in ¶ 20.23 (5).

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Semi- Annual Board meeting, at which a quorum was

present, in Nashville Tennessee on May 27, 1994.

Eddie Tullis, President

United South and Eastern Tribes

Keller George, Secretary

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