UNIVERSAL SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 05/95-02LA

ENDORsing the FORmation of a NASHVILLe AREA OFFICE REDesign
STeering COMMITTEE

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 Director's 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 member tribes of USET recognize the special relationship with the Nashville Area Office of the Indian Health Service; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville Area Office seeks tribal participation and guidance in the redesign process; and

WHEREAS, the redesign process must be conducted in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of USET, Inc. at their May 9, 1995 meeting in Vernon, New York requested the formation of a workgroup to make recommendations for the Nashville Area Office redesign process;

"Because there is strength in Unity"
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. does hereby endorse the formation of a Nashville Area Office Redesign Steering Committee whose members shall be:

Gilbert Saint-Jean, Health Planner, Miccosukee Tribe  
Cynthia Copeland, Director, Program Development and Evaluation, Oneida Nation  
Paula Butler, Health Planner, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Patricia Knox-Nicola, Health Planner, Penobscot Indian Nation  
Maggie Terrance, Health Director, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe  
James T. Martin, Executive Director, USET  
A Tribal Leader as appointed by the USET President

and whose responsibilities shall include:

-Participate in Steering Committee conference calls every two to four weeks (one hour each).  
-Provide guidance to the Nashville Area Office in the redesign process.  
-Assist NAO staff in keeping the redesign process focused and on schedule.  
-Advocate for tribal involvement in the redesign process.  
-Assist NAO staff in communicating progress in redesign efforts to tribal leadership and health program directors.  
-Serve as a resource person for tribal staff to contract regarding the redesign process.  
-Assist in review and edit of NAO Redesign Updates prior to distribution to tribes.

THE BOARD FURTHER ENDORSES the proposed time line for Nashville Area Office Redesign activities (see attachment).

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors meeting at which a quorum was present, in Lafayette, LA, June 1, 1995.

Keller George, President  
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.  

Philip Tarbell, Secretary  
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.
## NASHVILLE AREA OFFICE REDESIGN TIMELINE

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| June                | Tribes designate Redesign Contact Person  
                      | Completion of final survey instrument  
                      | Conduct survey (mail to tribes, tribes complete survey and return to NAO) |
| July                | Indian Health Design Team (IHDT) submits its report to the Director, Indian Health Service  
                      | NAO Redesign Survey results compiled |
| July/August         | Redesign Workshop (3 days, in Nashville)  
                      | - review NAO survey and IHDT report  
                      | - begin formulating recommendations |
| September           | Completion of NAO Redesign options |
| September/October   | Consultation with Tribal Leadership |
| November            | USET Board Meeting  
                      | - review and endorse NAO design plan |