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UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. USET 97:15

**RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR QUALIFIED  
AMERICAN INDIANS AT ALL U.S. MILITARY ACADEMIES**

- WHEREAS,** The United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) 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,** Throughout the course of American history, American Indians have without hesitation answered the call to arms in defense of our country and the free world. The ratio of the number of commissioned officers serving is not adequate when compared to the number of enlisted personnel serving; and
- WHEREAS,** The educational opportunities to attend the various military academies have not been made available to young qualified American Indians and is one of the major causes resulting in this disproportionate ratio; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the USET Board of Directors initiate the proper congressional action that would result in more American Indian recruitment by assigning an American Indian recruiting officer at each U.S. Military Academy that supports each branch of the Armed Services.

**CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Myrtle Beach, SC on Thursday, October 31, 1996.

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

Philip Tarbell, Secretary  
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.

*"Because there is strength in Unity"*