



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.


Resolution No. USET 98:01

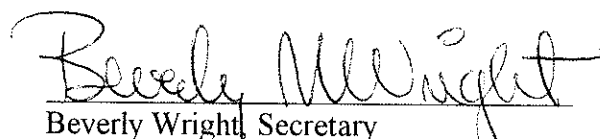
**USET ACTION ON REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT SECTION 106
OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT**

- WHEREAS**, the United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) 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**, on October 24, 1997, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation approved of regulations that are not consistent with the federal trust responsibility to tribes, the intent of the 1992 amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act and President Clinton's stated policies on tribal sacred sites and proper government-to-government relations between federal agencies and tribes; and
- WHEREAS**, federal regulations are a matter of both Administration Policy and federal law; and
- WHEREAS**, the Clinton Administration will review these regulations prior to their promulgation; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED**, that USET requests that President Clinton assure that these regulations not be promulgated without the inclusion of full participation of tribes in the Section 106 process when sites of religious and cultural importance to tribes are in question; and therefore, be it further
- RESOLVED**, that USET member tribes and staff use all measures at their disposal to inform federal agency heads and Members of Congress of USET's strong position on this issue; and therefore, be it further
- RESOLVED**, that USET staff are directed to review all legal and political means at their disposal and take immediate action in coordination with other groups that share common purpose of action on this issue.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly approved at the USET Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Philadelphia, Mississippi on Thursday, October 30, 1997.


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


Beverly Wright, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.