

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

USET Resolution No. 2000:51

ENDORSEMENT OF PRESIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE ORDER 13096

- WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprising 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 comprises delegates from the member tribes' leadership; and
- WHEREAS, on August 6, 1998, President William J. Clinton signed an executive order acknowledging the educational needs of American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) students; and
- WHEREAS, this order has identified six goals in AI/AN education; and
- WHEREAS, to meet the six goals of this order, a comprehensive federal response is needed to address the fragmentation of government services available to AI/AN students and the complexity of intergovernmental relationships affecting the education of those students; and
- WHEREAS, Interagency Task Force on AI/AN Education has been established to oversee the planning and implementation of this order; and
- WHEREAS, the Interagency Task Force shall consult with representatives of AI/AN tribes and organizations; therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors endorses the Presidents Executive Order 13096 that recognizes the unique educational and culturally related academic needs of AI/AN students; be it further
- **RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors strongly discourages any decreases in funding and/or elimination of current AI/AN program services.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Washington, D.C. Thursday, February 3, 2000.

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly Wright, Secretary

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