



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

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USET Resolution No. 2000:68

**SUPPORT FOR "THE CHILD PROTECTION/ALCOHOL AND  
DRUG PARTNERSHIP ACT OF 2000"**

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprising twenty-four (24) 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,** many tribal families and children in the child welfare system are affected by alcohol and substance abuse issues; and
- WHEREAS,** ongoing and stable funding to support effective services to improve these issues and create more effective partnerships between child welfare and alcohol/substance abuse agencies is not available for tribal governments; and
- WHEREAS,** S. 2435 entitled "Child Protection/Alcohol and Drug Partnership Act of 2000" was introduced by Senators Snowe, Rockefeller, DeWine and Dodd and would provide funding for states and tribal governments to address these issues with children and families; and
- WHEREAS,** S. 2435 would reserve between 3 percent to 5 percent of the overall appropriation for the allocation to tribal governments to support services in this area; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors supports the passage of S. 2435 to allow tribal government access to a new funding source to support services for children and families in the child welfare system who have alcohol and substance abuse issues.

**CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Board Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Houston, TX Thursday, June 8, 2000.

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

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