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**USET Resolution No. 2010:025**

**SUPPORT FOR AN ALLIANCE WITH THE PROFESSIONAL GOLFERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-five (25) 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,** the Chief Executive Officer of the PGA of America, Joseph P. Steranka, under the sponsorship of Oneida Nation Representative Ray Halbritter and USET President Emeritus Keller George presented to the USET Board on a proposed alliance with USET; and
- WHEREAS,** several USET member tribes own golf courses, including some of the finest courses in America; and
- WHEREAS,** golf can be enjoyed by all ages, is a wonderful family activity, and has proven benefits for mental and physical well-being, as well as teaches important values of sportsmanship including respect for the rules of the game, etiquette, responsibility and leadership; and
- WHEREAS,** the PGA has pledged to work with USET golf facilities to host introduction, skill development and retention programs for Native American youth and their families; and
- WHEREAS,** the PGA has also pledged to work with area and regional junior tours to identify opportunities for Native American youth participation, as well as to work with PGA Professional Golf Management (PGM) universities and the PGA's Education department to identify educational opportunities, internships and employment opportunities for Native American golf professionals; therefore be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors strongly supports an alliance with the Professional Golfers Association; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors urges its membership to make available its golf facilities to serve as hosts for Native American- Professional Golfers Association family golf programming; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that USET will leverage its communications and meetings to identify and promote opportunities for Native-American Professional Golfers Association family golf programming; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that USET will work with the Professional Golfers Association to identify funding opportunities for Native American golf programs and scholarships.

**CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Mobile, AL, on Thursday, June 17, 2010.

Brian Patterson, President  
United South and Eastern Tribe, Inc.

Robert McGhee, Secretary  
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.