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USET Resolution No. 2012:046

REAUTHORIZATION OF THE ESTHER MARTINEZ NATIVE AMERICAN LANGUAGES PRESERVATION ACT

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-six (26) 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 preservation and revitalization of native languages is critical to the vitality of native cultures; and
- WHEREAS,** the Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act was authorized to provide funding to support Indian Tribes in the development of programs to preserve Native languages; and
- WHEREAS,** the Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act is expiring at the end of this year; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors is fully supportive of the preservation of Native American Languages and urges the Congress to reauthorize and fully fund the Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Marksville, LA, on Thursday, May 24, 2012.

Brian Patterson, President
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