

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. 91-4

USET SUPPORT FOR ST. REGIS MOHAWK TRIBAL COUNCIL

- WHEREAS, The United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated ("USET") is an inter-tribal organization comprised of nineteen (19) federally-recognized Tribes'; and
- WHEREAS, The actions taken by the USET, Inc. 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, The St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council is a Charter Member of USET, Inc.; and
- WHEREAS, Membership in USET, Inc. is the direct result of actions taken by and only by the SRM Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, The St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council is the federally recognized governing body, duly elected by enrolled tribal members on the St. Regis Mohawk Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, The State of New York is considering legislation which might affect the status of the St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, Any such legislation must recognize the sovereign status of the federally recognized Tribe as governed by the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS, The term "Sovereign" implies not merely a "government-to-government relationship" but a "nation-to-nation" relationship; and
- WHEREAS, Any action taken by New York State which potentially undermines tribal sovereignty impacts all tribes throughout the United States;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the USET Board of Directors does hereby express its total support for the St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT USET proposes that New York State not take any legislative action involving the Tribal Council without the concurrence of the Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT if New York State takes any action regarding the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe without the Council's consent, that New York State be chastised for attempting to overturn the sovereign status of the Indian Nation.

CERTIFICATION

This Resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, D.C.; on 2-27-91, 1991.



Eddie L. Tullis  
President  
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.



Marie Osceola-Branch  
Acting Secretary  
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.