

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.


Resolution No. 92-05

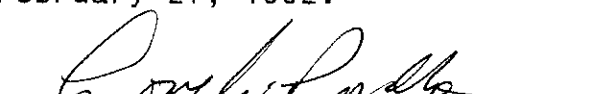
REQUEST THE NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION TO INITIATE ALTERNATIVE CLASS III GAMING COMPACT REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESS

- WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty (20) 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 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) was enacted to regulate Tribal gaming on Indian lands for the economic benefit of Indian Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, the National Indian Gaming Commission was created by IGRA to ensure the protection of Indian gaming from influence and loss; and
- WHEREAS, certain states, through claims of the Eleventh Amendment rights have refused to negotiate Class III gaming compacts with Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, refusal by certain states to recognize Tribal rights, and Congressional intent has caused economic hardship on Tribes;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors hereby requests that the National Indian Gaming Commission, in fulfilling its obligation under the IGRA, hold states strictly accountable to the time frame specified in IGRA for negotiating a Class III compact with requesting Tribes; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors hereby request that the National Indian Gaming Commission immediately implement an affirmative plan to support Tribal governments' rights of sovereignty by supporting Tribal efforts in defending the IGRA and researching alternate methods for the compact approval process.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, DC on February 27, 1992.

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

  
Lovelin Poncho, Secretary  
United South and Eastern  
Tribes, Inc.