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Resolution No. USET 96:30

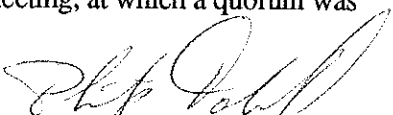
**A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT FEDERAL RECOGNITION OF THE MASHPEE
WAMPANOAG TRIBE**

- WHEREAS,** the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-two (22) 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 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe has existed on their Aboriginal land since first European contact; and
- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe continues to exercise self government over its people in traditional manner; and
- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe is recognized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as an aboriginal Tribe; and
- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe is affiliated, and recognized by Federally Recognized Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe has filed a Petition for Federal Acknowledgment with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Acknowledgment and Research, (BIA/BAR); and
- WHEREAS,** the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe request a letter of support for their petition from USET, Inc. Board of Directors to the fore mentioned agencies
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the USET, Inc. Board of Directors extends their support to Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe, the Petition to the BIA/BAR.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the Washington Impact Week meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, D.C. on February 8, 1996.


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


Philip Tarbell, Secretary
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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