



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

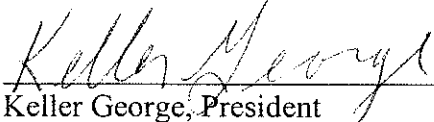
Resolution No. USET 98:23

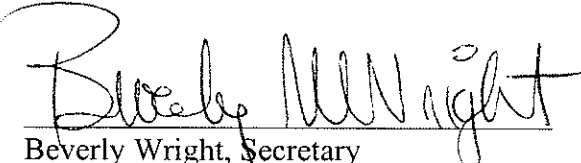
PUBLICATION OF NAHASDA FINAL RULE

- WHEREAS**, the United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprising twenty-three (23) 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 tribe's leadership; and
- WHEREAS**, the passage of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) recognizes the special relationship between Indian tribes and the federal government; and
- WHEREAS**, Congress wrote language in the Act that regulations would be developed using the Negotiated Rulemaking Process; and
- WHEREAS**, at the conclusion of the Negotiated Rulemaking Process, a final rule was submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance; and
- WHEREAS**, Indian housing plans required to access NAHASDA Block Grant funding cannot be realized until a final regulation is published; and
- WHEREAS**, without these funds, tribal housing programs in the USET organization will be severely deprived of housing services that would otherwise be initiated under NAHASDA; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors hereby directs the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to expedite the clearing process and publish the final rule.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the annual USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, February 5, 1998.


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


Beverly Wright, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.