



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. USET 99:06

**SUPPORTING THE *LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAWS IN INDIAN COUNTRY*
CONFERENCE TO BE HOSTED BY THE PASSAMAQUODDY TRIBE AND THE
PENOBSCOT NATION**

- WHEREAS**, 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 tribes' leadership; and
- WHEREAS**, tribal employment in tribal governments and reservation businesses, is of great importance to the USET member tribes; and
- WHEREAS**, there is a substantial, ongoing uncertainty about the application of labor and employment law in Indian Country; and
- WHEREAS**, tribes and tribal entities are regularly confronted with individual conflicts and policy issues resulting from the uncertainty of the law in this area; and
- WHEREAS**, training and education on these subjects for USET member tribal officials, tribal attorneys, and tribal members will further enhance tribal self-governance; and
- WHEREAS**, in September 1999, the Passamaquoddy Tribe and the Penobscot Nation will host a conference with nationally-recognized speakers and panelists on these subjects in Maine, which will be organized by their tribal attorneys, Drummond, Woodsum & MacMahon; and
- WHEREAS**, the respective governors and chiefs of the Passamaquoddy Tribe and the Penobscot Nation have asked USET to endorse this event by being listed as co-host, together with these tribes, without necessity of financial commitment; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors joins its member tribes, the Passamaquoddy Tribe and the Penobscot Nation to be listed as a co-host for this educational conference; be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors encourages its staff and its member tribes to present their own experiences, as well as their programs for addressing employment law issues at the tribal level; be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors offers to assist in calling this training program to the attention of its members.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, February 4, 1999.

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

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

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