



## UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

### USET Resolution No. 2002: 066

#### ENDORSEMENT OF THE NASHVILLE AREA OFFICE OF THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE FISCAL YEAR 2004 CORE BUDGET FORMULATION TEAM

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised twenty-four (24) 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,** the budget appropriation for the Indian Health Service (IHS) supports tribal programs, services, functions, and activities; and
- WHEREAS,** the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) calls for the IHS to consult with tribes (IHS customers) in the formulation of the budget; and
- WHEREAS,** in compliance with GPRA requirements the IHS has been directed to form a Core Budget Formulation Team consisting of Tribal Representatives to advocate on behalf of USET member tribes in development of the yearly IHS budget submission; and
- WHEREAS,** the Honorable Tommy Thompson, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), has set a priority for Budget Performance Integration that will continue to directly tie appropriations to health outcomes for each DHHS Operating Division; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors endorses and supports Governor Richard Stevens, Passamaquoddy-Indian Township; Elizabeth Neptune, Passamaquoddy-Indian Township; Meg Parsons, Oneida Indian Nation of New York; Arlene Mack, Poarch Band of Creek Indians; Thomas Hickey, Penobscot Indian Nation; and Brenda Shore Fuller of USET as members of the Nashville Area Office (NAO) of the Indian Health Service (IHS) FY 2004 Core Budget Formulation Team.

#### CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Washington, D.C., Thursday, January 31, 2002.

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

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