



## UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

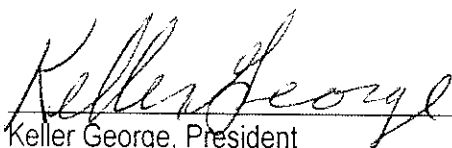
USET Resolution No. 2003:048

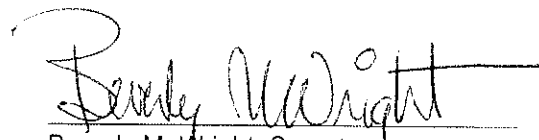
### SUPPORT FOR THE USET EASTERN INTER-TRIBAL COLLEGE AD HOC WORKGROUP

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of 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 USET Board of Directors passed USET Resolution No. 2000:21 entitled, "*Enforcement of Eastern Tribal College Initiative,*" to support the USET Education Committee's initiative to develop an Eastern Tribal College; and
- WHEREAS,** the USET Education Committee has been reviewing possible avenues in which a tribal college could be developed by the USET member tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the USET Education Committee has been approached by several institutions including the American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC), Educational Development Center, and the National Science Foundation, each of whom have expressed interest in assisting USET in the development of a tribal college in the southeastern United States; and
- WHEREAS,** due to the great need for educated American Indian people in the health and environmental conservation fields, the USET Education Committee met with the USET Health and Natural Resources Committees and gained their support of the USET Tribal College initiative; and
- WHEREAS,** the USET Education Committee will begin to explore and identify the educational needs and educational issues of the USET member tribes, identify available resources and prepare a feasibility study to develop a USET tribal college through establishment of an ad hoc workgroup; and
- WHEREAS,** the USET Education Committee will report the progress of the USET Tribal College Initiative on a periodic basis to the USET Board of Directors; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors supports the USET Tribal College Initiative and authorizes the USET Education Committee to establish an ad hoc workgroup to move forward with the USET Tribal College initiative; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors instructs the USET Education Committee to include a representative from the USET Health and Natural Resources Committees on the ad hoc workgroup.

### CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, Thursday, February 6, 2003.

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

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

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