



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

USET Resolution No. 2003:093

FUNDING SUPPORT FOR NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN HOUSING COUNCIL TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- 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 Native American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) is the primary advocacy agency for Tribal Housing Authorities; and
- WHEREAS,** the FY 2004 proposed budget completely eliminates the Training and Technical Assistance funding for NAIHC to provide to member tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the member tribes have found the training and technical assistance provided by NAIHC to be exemplary and of significant value to the on-going development of housing staff, the education of tribal governments, and the education of the tribal members serviced by the respective housing entities; and
- WHEREAS,** the member tribes have not been satisfied with the training provided by other entities such as, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, for lack of adaptation to the specific needs of Indian Housing; and
- WHEREAS,** USET member tribes feel more comfortable with the training and technical assistance being provided by a non-regulatory agency; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the FY 2004 Training and Technical Assistance budget be maintained at the FY 2003 level; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors requests that members of the United States Congress consider making the Training and Technical Assistance line-item a permanent part of the NAHASDA budget.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Choctaw, MS, Thursday, June 5, 2003.

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

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