



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

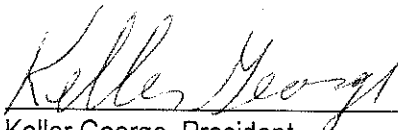
USET Resolution No. 2005:040

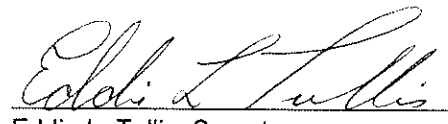
SUPPORT FOR ASSURANCE THAT THE LEVEL OF APPROPRIATIONS UNDER THE NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING AND SELF-DETERMINATION ACT BE KEPT AT A LEVEL CONSISTENT WITH CONSTANT INFLATION AND INCREASED COSTS OF LIVING

- 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 needs and issues affecting the USET member Tribes are as vast and diverse as the geographic locations that the tribes occupy; and
- WHEREAS,** USET member Tribes depend on annual funding with which to keep low income housing affordable to all of its members; therefore, it is vitally important that the annual appropriation levels are consistent with real increases in the cost of living and inflation; and
- WHEREAS,** this unrealistic and capricious decrease in appropriations and the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) funding is not in keeping with the fiduciary responsibility espoused by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Government, and severely affects the ability of tribal housing entities to fulfill their task of providing safe, affordable and decent housing for its members; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors requests the assurance of HUD that the NAHASDA appropriations will remain consistent with the ongoing rate of inflation and the real costs of living.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 10, 2005.


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


Eddie L. Tullis, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribe, Inc.

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