



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

USET Resolution No.2007: 041

SUPPORT FOR FUNDING OF NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING ASSISTANCE
AND SELF-DETERMINATION ACT

- 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, Congress recognized the need for housing assistance and economic development in Indian Country when they passed the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) as amended; and
- WHEREAS, the need for housing and economic development continues to grow and NAHASDA continues to be funded at diminishing levels; and
- WHEREAS, Indian Housing Block Grant Programs are significantly under funded; and therefore be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors supports an appropriation that will include an inflation factor of 3.4% for fiscal year 2008 to help offset the rapidly increasing costs of maintaining the current assisted stock and offsetting the increased costs of construction, and be it further
- RESOLVED** all USET Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities request an increase of funding from the Congress and Senate for the funding period 2008 from \$625,680,000 to one (1) Billion Dollars to provide affordable, safe, sanitary housing, and development.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 15, 2007.

Brian Patterson, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Cheryl Downing, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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