




USET Resolution No. 2008:024

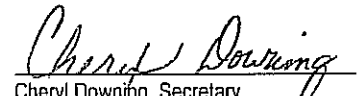
**FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HOUSING COUNCIL'S  
TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-five (25) 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 Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) provides in Section 703 that funding be provided to national organizations representing Native American housing interests to provide training and technical assistance; and
- WHEREAS,** this training and technical assistance is essential to Tribes who provide low income housing for its members through the Indian Housing Block Grant; and
- WHEREAS,** this training and technical assistance is essential for the USET Tribes and all of Indian Country to allow Tribes to stay in compliance with NAHASDA and to train their staff regarding housing regulations, policies and procedures; and
- WHEREAS,** the National American Indian Housing Council has historically provided training and technical assistance to Tribes through Section 703 of NAHASDA; and
- WHEREAS,** the Fiscal Year 2009 President's Proposed Budget Request does not include any funding to national organizations for training and technical assistance; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. Board of Directors requests that no less than \$4.8 million of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development budget be appropriated to national organizations for training and technical assistance to Tribes, as well as funding for all ensuing years be labeled as a separate appropriation to national organizations for training and technical assistance; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. Board of Directors supports funding appropriate for training and technical assistance to be provided by the National American Indian Housing Council.

**CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, Thursday, February 14, 2008.

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

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

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