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USET Resolution No. 2009:029

**TRIBAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY ACCESS TO THE
NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER**

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-five 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 National Crime Information Center (NCIC) is a Federal Bureau of Investigation database that records and maintains criminal arrests and convictions and is used to identify wanted and/or dangerous persons; and
- WHEREAS,** the NCIC database is accessible only by law enforcement agencies; and
- WHEREAS,** currently, NCIC access and maintenance is administered by state governments; and
- WHEREAS,** many Tribes have law enforcement agencies without access to NCIC, thereby decreasing officer safety in already unsafe environments; and
- WHEREAS,** there are instances where state governments deny NCIC access to qualified Tribal law enforcement agencies; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors formally requests the Federal Bureau of Investigation allow and ensure all Tribal law enforcement agencies access to the National Crime Information Center database to provide the highest levels of officer safety.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 12, 2009.

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

Robert McGhee, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

"Because there is strength in Unity"