USET Resolution No. 2010:005

APPOINTMENT OF THE NASHVILLE AREA REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION TRIBAL CONSULTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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, USET is committed to eliminating health disparities for American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that Tribes and all Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Divisions engage in open, continuous, and meaningful consultation to achieve this goal; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)/Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry (ATSDR) Tribal Consultation Policy establishes standards to guide the agency in working effectively with Tribes and Tribal Organizations; and

WHEREAS, the CDC/ATSDR policy further establishes a Tribal Consultation Advisory Committee (TCAC) responsible for bringing public health issues affecting Tribes and AI/AN people in each of the 12 Indian Health Service (IHS) Areas to the attention of CDC/ATSDR officials; and

WHEREAS, CDC/ATSDR is soliciting one Tribal Leader (or designee empowered to speak on their behalf) and one alternate from each of the 12 Indian Health Service Areas and the National Tribal Organizations to serve on the TCAC; and

WHEREAS, the TCAC will provide an established, recurring venue wherein Tribal Leaders will advise and guide CDC/ATSDR throughout the Government-to-Government consultation process and assist in the planning and coordination of meetings; and

WHEREAS, the input and recommendations provided by TCAC members, during consultation sessions, will impact CDC/ATSDR decision-making processes and help guide the Agency as it strives to improve the health status of AI/AN people through strong Government-to-Government relationships; therefore, be it

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors nominates and supports Chief Richard Phillips-Doyle as the Nashville Area delegate; and Tihtiyas (Dee) Sabattus, Interim THPS Director/Health Policy Analyst, Tribal Health Program Support, USET, to serve as alternate to the Tribal Consultation Advisory Committee.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 11, 2010.

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

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