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 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)/Tribal Budget Advisory Council (TBAC) is a forum where Tribal representatives from across the country come together to discuss the current and future funding situations facing Indian Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the BIA formed the Tribally-driven TBAC comprised of two regional representatives and alternates from each of the twelve BIA regions, nominated by the Tribes of each respective region, to assist in the formulation of annual BIA budget development and strategy; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors supports the concept of a Tribally-driven budget formulation process; therefore, be it

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors reaffirms Brenda Fields, Penobscot Indian Nation, and appoints Kitcki Carroll, USET Executive Director, to serve as official representatives to the Tribal Budget Advisory Council; and, be it further

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors supports the nomination of Wanda Janes, USET Deputy Director, to serve as an alternate should either of the official representatives be unable to attend a meeting of the Tribal Budget Advisory Council; and, be it further

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors requests that alternates be reimbursed through the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the same manner as official representatives are reimbursed when serving in that capacity.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Mobile, AL, on Thursday, June 17, 2010.

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

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