AMENDING THE UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES BYLAWS TO INCLUDE THE SHINNECOCK INDIAN NATION AS A MEMBER TRIBE

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 USET Board of Directors are working for the best interest of their Tribal governments, and their members, to protect, promote, and enhance opportunities for their people; and

WHEREAS, Article II. Section 1 of the USET Bylaws provide, "[t]he members of the Corporation shall be determined by the Board of Directors and shall be Federally-recognized Tribes interested in supporting and furthering the purpose of the Corporation"; and

WHEREAS, the Shinnecock Indian Nation is a federally-recognized Tribe entitled to a government-to-government relationship with the United States Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, the Shinnecock Indian Nation, by Resolution 2011-RES-0004, requested to become a USET member Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Shinnecock Indian Nation has agreed to support the interests and further the purpose of the organization; therefore, be it

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors does hereby accept the Shinnecock Indian Nation into its membership; and, be it further

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors does hereby amend the USET Bylaws at Article II, Section 2, by deleting the "and" prior to "Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe" and immediately thereafter inserting "and the Shinnecock Indian Nation."

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 10, 2011.

[Signature]
Brian Patterson, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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Brenda Lintinger, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.