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USET Resolution No. 2013:005

DIRECTING USET TO ESTABLISH A YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-six (26) 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 has adopted the Fiscal Year 2013 Strategy and Goals, which support its mission, statement of unity and statement of organizational goals, as stated in the USET bylaws; and
- WHEREAS,** a goal within the Fiscal Year 2013 Strategy and Goals directs USET to create resources that will empower USET member youth, promote education and develop strong future USET leadership; and
- WHEREAS,** the objectives in the Fiscal Year 2013 Strategy and Goals direct USET to create a Youth Leadership Council to offer insight, perspective, and recommendations to the Board of Directors on issues pertinent and important to USET youth; and
- WHEREAS,** in creating a USET Youth Council, two co-Chairs should be appointed to begin working on organizing and developing strategy to involve USET member youth, establish an agenda for the Council, and create resources and structure that will help meet its mission at future USET meetings; and
- WHEREAS,** Choctaw Central High School Senior Taloa Berg, member of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, and Cherokee High School Junior Nicodemus Bushyhead, member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians have recently been honored for their participation in the Vanderbilt University Aspiernaut Program as exemplary students and have clearly demonstrated critical thinking and skills that are necessary to initiate a Youth Leadership Council; therefore be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors authorizes the USET Executive Director to carry out the necessary work to initiate a Youth Leadership Council; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** that Choctaw Central High School Senior, Taloa Berg, member of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, and Cherokee High School Junior, Nicodemus Bushyhead, member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, are appointed as the initial co-Chairs of the Council with an initial one-year term.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Uncasville, CT, on Friday, October 12, 2012.

Brian Patterson, President
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Brenda Lintinger, Secretary
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