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## **USET Resolution No. 2014:007**

# NOMINATING ROBERT MCGHEE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TAX EXEMPT AND GOVERNMENT ENTITIES

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, on October 1, 2013, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) published a notice requesting applications or nominations for membership to serve on the IRS Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities (ACT) from persons wishing to represent Tribal governments; and

WHEREAS, the ACT is an organized public forum for discussion of relevant employee plans, exempt organizations, tax-exempt bonds, and federal, state, local, and Tribal government issues between officials of the IRS and representatives of these different communities; and

**WHEREAS,** membership on the ACT provides Indian Country with an opportunity to provide input to the IRS policy makers on important tax related matters; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, the ACT has addressed (at the request of Congress in some instances) issues such as Tribal Economic Development Bonds and Tribal pension plans, as well as other tax issues which are not Tribal specific but still have an impact on Tribes; and

WHEREAS, Robert McGhee, a Poarch Band of Creek Indians Tribal Council member and USET Board of Directors member, has experience in tax matters, including participating in the USET-supported National Indian Tax Initiative and has the confidence of the USET Board of Directors that he will represent USET interests on this advisory committee faithfully; and

whereas, in December 2010, the United States recognized the rights of its First Peoples through its support of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), whose provisions and principles support and promote the purposes of this resolution; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors nominates Robert McGhee to serve on the Internal Revenue Service Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities.

"Because there is strength in Unity"

## **CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Cherokee, NC, on Thursday, October 31, 2013.

Brian Patterson, President

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Brenda Lintinger, Secretary

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