USET Resolution No. 2013:013

HONORING CHITIMACHA TRIBAL POLICE OFFICER RICK RIGGENBACH

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, Tribal law enforcement departments provide a front line of protection and service to Native communities; and

WHEREAS, recently, Tribal law enforcement throughout Indian Country experienced a loss when Chitimacha Tribal Police Officer Rick Riggenbach was killed in the line of duty, sacrificing himself for the protection of his community; therefore be it

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors honors Officer Riggenbach’s heroic actions and the ultimate sacrifice he made in protecting the Chitimacha community on January 26, 2013.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 7, 2013.

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

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