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USET Resolution No. 2013:036

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A FUNDING PROPOSAL FOR ETHNOBOTANICAL CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION PLANNING

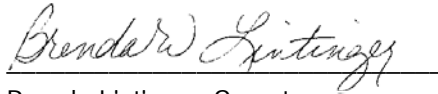
- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-six (26) federally recognized Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member Tribes' leadership; and
- WHEREAS,** the USET Natural Resources Committee recognizes there is overwhelming scientific evidence of climate change that will significantly affect the local environment, natural resources, cultural resources, and infrastructure of USET member Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** unless action is taken to curb climate change, negative social, environmental, cultural, and economic effects may result in the near future; and
- WHEREAS,** the USET Office of Environmental Resource Management (OERM) has the technical expertise and experience in obtaining funding for Ethnobotanical Climate Change Adaptation Planning; and
- WHEREAS,** Ethnobotanical Climate Change Adaptation Planning will benefit all USET member Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** OERM would like to take advantage of any funding opportunities to promote Ethnobotanical Climate Change Adaptation Planning; 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 hereby supports and endorses Ethnobotanical Climate Change Adaptation Planning; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors directs Office of Environmental Resource Management to submit proposals for any funding opportunities supporting Ethnobotanical Climate Change Adaptation Planning and to support efforts by member Tribes to curb climate change.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Niagara Falls, NY, on Friday, May 17, 2013.



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



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

“Because there is strength in Unity”