

## United South and Eastern Tribes, inc.

## Resolution No. USET 97:61

## APPOINTMENT OF REGIONAL DELEGATES AND A BIA LIAISON

- WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) 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 is comprised of delegates from the member tribes leadership; and
- WHEREAS, Congress is currently considering, and is expected to consider in the future, numerous legislative initiatives pertaining to taxation and other issues of interest and concern to Indian nations; and
- WHEREAS, the President of USET and other USET leaders have been diligently communicating the views of USET to Congress with respect to a variety of tax and non-tax issues; and
- WHEREAS, the ability of USET and of individual Indian nations to influence the actions of Congress depends, in part, upon the coordinated efforts of tribal governments and upon those Executive Agencies charged with the responsibility of working with tribal governments; therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED**, that the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., shall appoint a delegate from four geographic regions within USET to whom the Board and other USET leaders shall communicate information and directives pertaining to proposed legislation and other matters of interest, which such regional delegates shall then disseminate to the USET members within their region; and be it further
- **RESOLVED**, that the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., shall formally request that the Eastern Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs appoint a USET liaison for purposes of coordinating with USET appropriate responses to legislative initiatives and other issues of importance.

## **CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly approved at the USET Semi-Annual meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Marksville, Louisiana on Wednesday, May 21, 1997.

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly Wright Secretary

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