



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

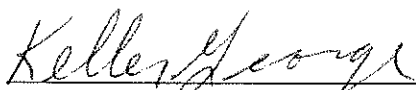
Resolution No. USET 97:68

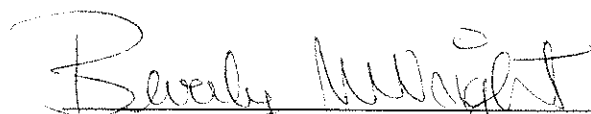
NAO REDESIGN/TRIBAL MODEL

- 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**, the USET Board passed resolution 97:45 mandating that the redesign process address functions identified as the Tribal Model; and
- WHEREAS**, assumption number five (#5) of the Tribal Model prohibits actions that will result in a reduced level of services provided at the local Indian Health Service/Tribal/Urbans (I/T/U) level; and
- WHEREAS**, the elimination of IPA/MOA's from the USET member tribes will have a negative impact at the I/T/U level; and
- WHEREAS**, Indian Health Service (IHS) has been mandated by Congress to downsize with savings to be placed at the local I/T/U level; and
- WHEREAS**, the IHDT has mandated the IHS to explore alternative ways of doing business; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED**, that the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., mandates actions to be initiated immediately to downsize the Nashville Area Office (NAO) to the \$4.4M operational level with the balance of funds being made available for tribal shares distribution; and be it further
- RESOLVED**, that the NAO Director present redesign plans, which may reduce services at the local I/T/U level, to the USET Board for approval prior to implementation; and be it further
- RESOLVED**, that the NAO Director present full disclosure of the Area Budget (\$10.4M) and provide monthly updates, keeping the USET Board apprised of downsizing efforts.

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
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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