



USET Resolution No. 2009:015

SUPPORT OF THE 2010 CENSUS

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-five (25) 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,** USET members of the Board of Directors are working for the best interest of their Tribal Nations, and their citizens, to protect, promote, and enhance opportunities for their people; and
- WHEREAS,** the United States Government provides programs and services through federal/state agencies for citizens including citizens of Tribal Nations; and
- WHEREAS,** the Decennial Census counts all people in the United States every ten years; the resultant Census data is used for congressional redistricting, and other federal/state decisions, including more than \$300 Billion in funding allocations; and
- WHEREAS,** Federal Indian programs depend on Census data to receive fair allocations of federal money to serve their people; and
- WHEREAS,** Census data is held confidential under U.S.C. Title 13, and Census Bureau employees are held to confidentiality for life; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors strongly endorses the work of the Decennial Census and supports the complete count of all American Indians in the USET area, and throughout the United States.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 12, 2009.

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

Robert McGhee, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

"Because there is strength in Unity"