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### USET SPF Resolution No. 2016:027

#### TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM COORDINATING COMMITTEE ALTERNATE MEMBER NOMINATION

- WHEREAS,** USET Sovereignty Protection Fund (USET SPF) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-six (26) federally recognized Tribal Nations; and
- WHEREAS,** the actions taken by the USET SPF Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribal Nation, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member Tribal Nation's leadership; and
- WHEREAS,** the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Highway Bill established the Tribal Transportation Program Coordinating Committee (TTPCC); and
- WHEREAS,** the TTPCC is composed of a Primary and Alternate member from each of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Regions with the last call for Eastern Region representatives effective for a three year term beginning around September of 2014; and
- WHEREAS,** the alternate committee seat representing the Eastern Region has been vacant, and
- WHEREAS,** the USET Transportation committee supports nominating Jeremy Whipple of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation as the Eastern Region Alternate representative to fill the vacancy; 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 SPF Board of Directors does hereby support the nomination of Jeremy Whipple to serve as the Eastern Region Alternate representative on the Tribal Transportation Program Coordinating Committee.

#### CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET SPF Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 11, 2016.

Brian Patterson, President  
USET Sovereignty Protection Fund

Chief Lynn Malerba, Secretary  
USET Sovereignty Protection Fund

*"Because there is strength in Unity"*