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### **USET Resolution No. 2017:001**

# APPOINTMENT OF USET BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE USET CERTIFICATION BOARD FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATORS AND LABORATORY ANALYSTS

**WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-six (26) federally recognized Tribal Nations; and

whereas, the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribal Nation, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member Tribal Nations' leadership; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors has established and supports the efforts of the USET Certification Board for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts (USET Certification Board); and

WHEREAS, the USET Certification Board is comprised of seven members, one of which is a member of the USET Board of Directors, a position on the USET Certification Board that has been vacant for a majority of Fiscal Year 2016; and

WHEREAS, Chief William Harris from Catawba Indian Nation has been nominated to serve on the USET Certification Board for the term specified in SECTION I-ARTICLE V. CREATION & COMPOSITION OF CERTIFICATION BOARD; MEMBERS; MEETINGS; OFFICERS (A) of the USET Certification Board Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the USET Natural Resources Committee has reviewed the nominee submitted to represent the USET Board of Directors and seeks approval of the appointment of Chief William Harris, Catawba Indian Nation to the USET Certification Board; 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 approves the appointment of Chief William Harris, Catawba Indian Nation, to serve as the USET Board of Director's representative to the USET Certification Board for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators and Laboratory Analysts.

## **CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET SPF Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Cherokee, NC, October 26, 2016.

Chief Kirk Francis, President

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