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USET SPF Resolution No. 2017 SPF:011

NATIONAL HEALTH RELATED COMMITTEE AND WORKGROUP APPOINTMENTS

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 United States (U.S.) Government and each federally recognized Tribal Nation have a government-to-government relationship grounded in numerous historical, political, legal, moral, and ethical considerations; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that Tribal Nations and U.S. Departments/Operating Divisions engage in open, continuous, and meaningful consultation, which includes a requirement for Tribal consent for an undertaking that could significantly affect a Tribal interest; and

WHEREAS, the importance of Tribal Consultation with Indian Tribal Governments was affirmed through Presidential Memoranda (1994, 2004 & 2009) and a subsequent Executive Order (2000); and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was the first to develop and implement a Tribal Consultation process under the Presidential directives; and

WHEREAS, the development of a Tribal Consultation process was completed with direct involvement of Tribal Governmental representatives, including USET staff; and

WHEREAS, a variety of committees/workgroups have been developed to facilitate meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments on issues that impact them and to promote Tribal Nation participation in the decision making process to the greatest extent possible; 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 appoints the following individuals to represent member Tribal Nations and their interests on the following Department of Health and Human Services committees/workgroups:

1. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Tribal Advisory Committee

a. Primary- Cheryl Andrews-Maltais, Chairwoman, The Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head Aquinnah

- b. Alternate- Michael Cook, Health Director, Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe
- 2. Indian Health Service Tribal Leader Diabetes Committee
 - a. Primary- Eddie Tullis, Tribal Council, Poarch Band of Creek Indians
 - b. Alternate- Edie Jackson, Health Director, Poarch Band of Creek Indians
- 3. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Child and Families Tribal Advisory Committee
 - a. Primary- Tim Waterman, Tribal Councilor, Seneca Nation of Indians
 - b. Alternate- Amanda Montgomery, Poarch Band of Creek Indians Community Services Coordinator

RESOLVED

the USET Board of Directors authorizes and empowers the appointed individuals to act and make recommendations/decisions on their behalf while attending the respective committee and/or workgroup meetings and/or conference calls.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET SPF Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA on February 9, 2017.

Chief Kirk Francis, Sr., President United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Chief Lynn Malerba, Secretary United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.