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**UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.**

Resolution No. USET 96:07

**RESOLUTION TO DEMAND THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR OF EPA'S REGION IV  
APPOINT A FULL TIME (1.0 FTE) INDIAN COORDINATOR**


- WHEREAS,** the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-two (22) federally recognized tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the actions taken by the USET, Inc. 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 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recognized the sovereignty of the Tribes as expressed in their Tribal Policy Statement; and
- WHEREAS,** as further recognition of the government-to-government relationship between the Tribes and the EPA, each Region within the EPA with a federally recognized Tribe in its jurisdiction appointed an Indian Coordinator; and
- WHEREAS,** the EPA's Region IV appointed an Indian Coordinator whose responsibilities to the Tribes within its jurisdiction were delegated as only a part time assignment; and
- WHEREAS,** the number of federally recognized Tribes in Region IV has increased with all Tribes taking on more and more ecological responsibility for their respective reservations through Tribal Codes, EPA Grants, other grants, and developing Tribal capacity to assume and administer EPA programs
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that USET demands the Regional Administrator appoint an Indian Coordinator, an American Indian from the region, on a full time basis (1.0 FTE) who is able to coordinate and assist all the programs within the EPA to meet their obligations to the Tribes rather than have the Tribes work separately with each Department.

*“Because there is strength in Unity”*


USET RESOLUTION (No. USET 96:07)

**CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the Annual Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Houston, TX, on December 7, 1995.



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Keller George, President  
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.



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Philip Tarbell, Secretary  
United South & Eastern Tribes, Inc.