RESOLUTION NO. USET 96:43

COORDINATION WITH OTHER TAXATION COMMITTEES

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is an inter-tribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) 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 Taxation Committee is a relatively new committee within the USET organizational structure; and

WHEREAS, other Indian associations, such as the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) and the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) have similar taxation committees; and

WHEREAS, the USET Taxation Committee could function more efficiently and better serve the members of USET if it were to coordinate its efforts and activities with the taxation committees of other American Indian organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Taxation Committee is appointed to serve as a liaison between USET and the taxation committees of other Indian associations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in such liaison capacity, the Chairman of the Taxation Committee is authorized to receive information from and share information with the taxation committees of other American Indian organizations for the purpose of more effectively: (a) monitoring tax issues of concern to American Indians; (b) coordinating the response to legislative tax initiatives of interest to Indian nations, and (c) safeguarding Indian sovereignty from unlawful encroachment by taxing authorities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the taxation committee is authorized to pursue the creation of a web site on the Internet for the purpose of receiving and disseminating information concerning tax issues and legislative initiatives of importance to the members of USET.

"Because there is strength in Unity"
(USET 96:43)

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Board of Directors meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Bangor, ME on Friday, June 21, 1996.

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

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