Resolution No. USET 97:37

REQUEST FOR INCREASED FUNDING

WHEREAS, the United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-three (23) federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET 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, Congress has instructed the National Park Service to administer the Historic Preservation Grants; and

WHEREAS, in 1992 Congress made it possible for American Indian Tribes to assume the responsibilities of State Historic Preservation Offices; and

WHEREAS, no funds have been appropriated by Congress for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the funds for the Historic Preservation Grants have had to be split between those tribes assuming historic preservation office responsibilities and those applying for special projects; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the USET Board of Directors requests that funding for the Historic Preservation Grant be increased and that the funds that are annually appropriated to states for their state historic preservation offices also be appropriated annually to those tribes who have assumed for themselves the duties of Historic Preservation as they are to the State.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly approved at the USET Washington Impact Week meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, DC on Wednesday, February 5, 1997.

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

Beverly Wright, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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