

## UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. USET 97:48

## FUNDING REQUEST OF THE 1997/98 INDIAN HOUSING APPROPRIATION

- 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, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 will have a significant impact on the future of providing housing for Native Americans; and
- WHEREAS, the number of eligible Indian Community recipients has more than doubled as a result of said Act; and
- WHEREAS, in order to sustain the existing housing program and provide for meeting the unmet housing need in Indian Communities there must be sufficient funding of the Indian Housing Program; and
- WHEREAS, in order to honor the government-to-government relationship between the United States and Indian Tribes there must be adequate financial assistance to fund the Indian Housing Program; therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED**, the USET Board of Directors calls upon Congress of the United States to provide financial assistance for a minimum funding threshold of \$950 million within the Housing Appropriations.

## **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

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