

## United South and Eastern Tribes, inc.

Resolution No. USET 99:08

## SUPPORT FOR SPIRITUAL LEADERS GATHERING

- WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprising 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 comprises delegates from the member tribes' leadership; and
- WHEREAS, the National Congress of American Indians has endorsed by resolution the third gathering of Indigenous Elders of America; and
- WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity, and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of USET; and
- WHEREAS, the American Indian and Alaska Native tribal leaders have always shown their concern for the spiritual well-being of their members; and
- WHEREAS, an effort has been made in the process to unite indigenous spiritual leaders of the Americas to address the religious and cultural concerns of the first peoples; and
- WHEREAS, the first and second gatherings were held in Central America and South America, respectively; therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors does support the spirit of the third Gathering of Indigenous Elders of America.

## **CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, February 4, 1999.

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly Wright, Secretary

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