



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. USET 99:21

RECOMMENDATION TO DHHS SECRETARY REGARDING VACANCY WITHIN THE OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

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 Office of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison position is currently vacant and has been posted; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors acknowledges the importance of having an American Indian Alaskan Native (AI/AN) as the liaison; and

WHEREAS, the role of the Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison is to communicate concerns from Indian country to the Secretary of DHHS; therefore, be it

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors urges priority be given to a qualified AI/AN candidate; and finally be it

RESOLVED if no qualified AI/AN applicants are identified in the first panel of applicants, the position be reposted.

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
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.