



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

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Resolution No. USET 2000:05

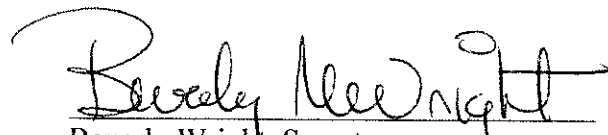
**TRIBAL COLLECTION OF STATE TAXES**

- 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 House Resources Committee held a hearing on October 12, 1999 regarding the issue of tribal collection of state transaction taxes, an issue that has received increased attention in the past couple of years; and
- WHEREAS,** Representatives Visclosky, Istook, and Sandlin, co-sponsors of H.R. 1814, advised the Committee that a legislative solution to loss of state revenue as a result of "tribal tax evasion" is necessary; and
- WHEREAS,** the Economic Development Committee considers this legislative solution as an "Impairment to Nation-to-Nation Trade"; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** that the USET Board of Directors recommends that USET member tribes advocate against the tribal collection of state taxes.

**CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Board of Directors Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Verona, NY Thursday, October 28, 1999.

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

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