



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

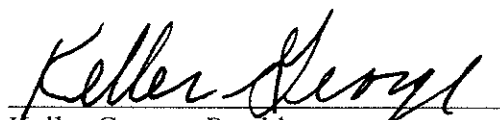
Resolution No. USET 2000:13

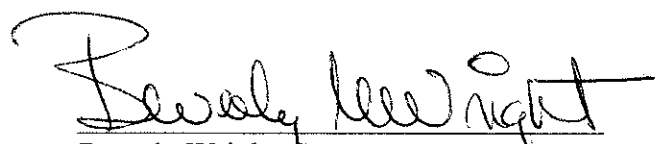
TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE FUNDING

- 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 Historic Preservation Act as amended in 1992 allows tribes to assume the duties of a State Historic Preservation Officer on tribal lands; and
- WHEREAS**, in Section 101 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to provide funds for the operation of Tribal Historic Preservation Offices; and
- WHEREAS**, Congress has yet to allocate sufficient monies to fund the Tribal Historic Preservation Offices as provided for in the Act; and
- WHEREAS**, the National Park Service has been funding the certified offices from other available funds; and
- WHEREAS**, the available monies are only sufficient to allow a barely adequate funding level for twenty-four Tribal Historic Preservation Offices; and
- WHEREAS**, there are already nineteen Tribal Historic Preservation Offices and there are at least four (4) more Tribes which will be certified in the immediate future; and
- WHEREAS**, four (4) of the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. member tribes are certified Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, and all of the four (4) pending applications are United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc., member tribes; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors directs the Executive Director to continue his efforts to increase appropriations for the operation of Tribal Historic Preservation Offices for budget years 2000, 2001, 2002; be it further
- RESOLVED** that the USET Board of Directors requests that Congress increase appropriations as the number of Tribal Historic Preservation Offices increase.

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.

“Because there is strength in Unity”