



## UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

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USET Resolution No. 2000:60

### **AUTHORIZATION OF SUPPORT FOR CATAWBA IDENTIFICATION PRODUCTS TO DEVELOP A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HEALTH IDENTIFICATION CARD**

- WHEREAS**, United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprising twenty-four (24) 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 Catawba Indian Nation is a federally recognized Tribe, a member of NCAI, and the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. (USET), a nonprofit organization incorporated in 1969 and comprising twenty-four (24) federally recognized tribes served by the Indian Health Services through the Nashville Area Office; and
- WHEREAS**, in accordance with funding restrictions and guidelines set aside for the usage of IHS funds; and
- WHEREAS**, funding sources for tribes is predicated on the number of members in a tribe, uses of the tribal clinics and total number of people served annually in clinics; and
- WHEREAS**, tribes from various Nations have people traveling, representing their tribes at various meetings and functions; and
- WHEREAS**, these tribal clinics can offer various services in cases of emergencies and illness or act as the referral source for proper medical care; and
- WHEREAS**, Catawba Identification Products can design a card that would include a recognizable IHS logo, with only the individual's name, tribal affiliation, medicines required for daily health maintenance purposes, any medicines that may cause allergic reactions in a decoded fashion, and a toll-free number if needed verification; and
- WHEREAS**, it will undertake to work with Indian Health Services National office to put together this project through the Health Information Office Program; and
- WHEREAS**, the Catawba Indian Nation is asking for the support of the USET tribes to act as the pilot test area for this project; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** USET Board of Directors agrees to present the Catawba Identification Products project at the Indian Health Services meeting July 19 and 20, 2000 in Washington, D.C.

### **CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Board Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Houston, TX Thursday, June 8, 2000.

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

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

*“Because there is strength in Unity”*