



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

USET Resolution No. 2000:79

SECTION 101(d)(5)

- 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 Narragansett Indian Tribe made application to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) in 1998 for 101(d)(5) certification; and
- WHEREAS,** the ACHP has not moved to approve the Narragansett application for 101(d)(5) certification but, instead, has moved to create an "Indian policy" to certify 101(d)(5) eligible Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** such an "Indian Policy" is not called for in statute by the National Historic Preservation Act, or by regulation, to approve 101(d)(5) eligible Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the lack of certification has caused irreparable damage to traditional cultural properties and sacred sites of the Narragansett and other tribes and their preservation programs; and
- WHEREAS,** in USET Resolution No. 2000:44 the USET Board of Directors requested that the ACHP grant 101(d)(5) certification to the Narragansett Tribe; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors request that the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs and/or the Congressional Native American Caucus call for an oversight hearing into this matter and the so-called "Indian Policy" of the ACHP.

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.