



UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

Resolution No. USET 2001: 039

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN INDIAN COUNTRY

- 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 United States has adopted a policy of fostering economic development in Indian Country; and
- WHEREAS,** certain economic development programs within the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) are not adequately funded; and
- WHEREAS,** the tax incentives for non-Indian companies to do business in Indian Country are inadequate and subject to numerous limitations, which reduce their effectiveness and availability; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors hereby requests the U. S. Congress and the BIA to provide adequate funding for BIA's economic development and loan guarantee and grant programs in Indian Country; and, be it further
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors hereby requests Congress and the U. S. Department of Treasury to liberalize and expand the tax incentives available to non-Indian companies that elect to do business in Indian Country.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed during a meeting of the Board of Directors during Impact Week, at which a quorum was present in Arlington, Virginia on Thursday, February 1, 2001.

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

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