ENDORSEMENT OF THE NASHVILLE AREA OFFICE OF THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE FISCAL YEAR 2003 CORE BUDGET FORMULATION TEAM

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 budget appropriation for the Indian Health Service (IHS) supports tribal programs, services, functions, and activities;

WHEREAS, the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) calls for the IHS to consult with tribes (IHS customers) in the formulation of the budget; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with GPRA requirements the IHS has been directed to form a Core Budget Formulation Team consisting of Tribal Representatives to advocate on behalf of USET member tribes in development of the yearly IHS budget submission; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the USET Board of Directors endorses Governor Richard Stevens, Passamaquoddy-Indian Township; Elizabeth Neptune, Passamaquoddy-Indian Township; Meg Parsons, Oneida Indian Nation of New York; Arlene Mack, Peoria Band of Creek Indians; Thomas Hickey, Penobscot Indian Nation; Barbara Namias, North American Indian Center of Boston; and Brenda Shore Fuller of USET as members of the Nashville Area Office (NAO) of the Indian Health Service (IHS) FY2003 Core Budget Formulation Team.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present in Verona, NY on Thursday, November 2, 2000.

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

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

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