USET Resolution No. 2002:031

RE-AFFIRMATION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BITAM TRUST ASSET MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE AND THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ALTERNATE TO THE TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-four (24) federally recognized tribes; and

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represents the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member tribes' leadership; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors is very concerned with the current efforts by the Department of the Interior (DOI) to perform a complete re-organization of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA); and

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors supports the formation of a Bureau of Indian Trust Asset Management Task Force by the DOI to make the re-organization process a tribally driven process; and

WHEREAS, the USET Executive Committee, comprised of the tribal leaders of the USET member tribes, voted at a special meeting held on December 17, 2001, to appoint Keller George, USET President, and member of the Oneida Indian Nation and James T. Martin, USET Executive Director, and member of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, as the regional representatives to serve on the task force; and

WHEREAS, the alternate position for the Eastern Region still needs to be filled by a tribal representative; and

WHEREAS, it is the understanding of the USET Board of Directors that the DOI has agreed to reimburse these regional representatives and the alternate for any travel expenses incurred due to the requirements of the Task Force; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors re-affirms the appointment of Keller George, USET President and James T. Martin, USET Executive Director, to continue serving the Eastern Region on the BITAM Task Force; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors appoints Peter Schultz of the Mohegan Tribe to serve as the alternate representative for the Eastern Region on the BITAM Task Force.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Washington, D.C., Thursday, January 31, 2002.

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

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

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