

United South and Eastern Tribes, inc.

USET Resolution No. 2002:055

SUPPORT FOR NORTHWEST INDIAN HOUSING ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (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 represent the intentions of each member tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member tribes' leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Indian Housing Association is being subjected to excessive oversight by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Regional Office; and

WHEREAS, this excessive oversight is contrary to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA); and

WHEREAS, this oversight and monitoring requires Tribes and/or Tribally Designated Housing Entities to expend excessive time and money responding to unnecessary micromanaging by HUD; and

WHEREAS, this oversight and monitoring prevents the Tribes and/or Tribally Designated Housing Entities from exercising self-determination and providing housing to their tribal members; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors hereby supports the Northwest Indian Housing Association's request for reasonable regulation and oversight by the HUD Regional Office to ensure the tribes right to exercise self-determination under NAHASDA.

CERTIFICATION

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

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Beverly M. Wright, Secretary

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