NEED FOR INCLUDING ALL OF USET NOMINEES TO HUD NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

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 U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has published its first notice on nominees for the Negotiated Rulemaking Committee membership; and

WHEREAS, the nominees selected by HUD to participate in the Negotiating Rulemaking Committee failed to include all nominees approved by the USET Board through resolution; and

WHEREAS, HUD’s omission of the complete list of USET nominees resulted in a total lack of representation by/from tribes along the Northeast corridor of the United States; and

WHEREAS, this lack of representation will prevent input and parity from tribes in all geographic areas; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors mandates that all Negotiated Rulemaking Committee nominees submitted to HUD be included in its negotiated rulemaking committee as intended in the original resolution.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, Thursday, February 6, 2003.

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

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

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