LEGISLATIVE PARTICIPATION BY BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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 USET Board of Directors understands the importance of having adequate federal representation whenever possible in dealing with congressional matters; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors would like to request that an open invitation be extended to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal Courts to attend and participate in legislative hearings/committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, it is vitally important to USET tribes to receive regular updates from the Office of BIA Law Enforcement and Tribal Courts regarding any congressional testimony and/or developments; therefore be it,

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors extends an official invitation to these agencies and strongly encourages their participation.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Hollywood, FL, on Thursday, June 17, 2004.

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

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

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