

UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES, INC.

USET Resolution No. 2005:027

SUPPORT FOR HR 16 - TRIBAL LABOR RELATIONS RESTORATION ACT OF 2005

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

WHEREAS, actions of the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribe, as the Board of Directors is comprised of delegates from the member Tribes' leadership; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2005, HR 16, the Tribal Labor Relations Restoration Act of 2005 was introduced in Congress; and

WHEREAS, HR 16 has been referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce; and

WHEREAS, HR 16, if enacted, would amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide that any business owned and operated by an Indian Tribe and located on its Indian lands is not considered an employer for purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS, enactment of HR 16 will recognize the inherent sovereign rights of Indian Tribes to govern all Tribal affairs including Tribal businesses and its employees without interference from third parties; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors supports HR 16, Tribal Labor Relations Restoration Act of 2005.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 10, 2005.

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Eddie L. Tullis, Secretary

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