SUPPORT FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF PRESIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE ORDER 13175 WITH REGARD TO CONDUCTING MEANINGFUL CONSULTATION WITH TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS

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 needs and issues affecting the USET member Tribes are as vast and diverse as the geographic locations that the Tribes occupy; and

WHEREAS, the Presidential Executive Order 13175 directed federal agencies to conduct meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments regarding issues that effect them, and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provided recommendations to the Office of Management and Budget without prior consultation that will have a devastating impact to all tribal housing programs; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors call upon HUD to conduct meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments in identifying the much needed funds for Tribal Housing Programs.

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
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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