USET Resolution No. 2006:002

APPOINTMENT OF NATIONAL BUDGET COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

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 Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) formed a tribally-driven National Tribal Budget Advisory Council comprised of two regional representatives and alternates from each of the twelve BIA regions, nominated by the Tribes of each respective region, to assist in the formulation of annual BIA budget development and strategy; and

WHEREAS, in the past the USET Board of Directors has appointed two representatives from the Eastern Region to serve on the National Tribal Budget Advisory Council: Randy Noka, First Councilman Narragansett Indian Tribe and Brenda Fields, of the Penobscot Nation; and

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors recognizes their dedication and commitment to the Council and their efforts in making the Eastern Region budget concerns known on the national level; and

WHEREAS, USET needs to appoint representatives to the National Tribal Budget Advisory Council for the upcoming year to advocate and represent the official position of the Eastern Region Tribes; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Directors supports this concept of a tribally-driven budget formulation process; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors reaffirms Brenda Fields, of the Penobscot Nation, and Randy Noka of the Narragansett Indian Tribe to serve as official representatives on the National Tribal Budget Advisory Council; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors appoints Keller George of the Oneida Nation or other elected USET Tribal Leaders duly appointed in the absence of the aforementioned by letter of the USET President; and the USET Board of Directors also reaffirms James T. Martin, USET Executive Director and Tiffany Cheuvront, USET Bureau Information Officer, to serve as alternates should one of the official representatives be unable to attend a meeting of the BIA National Tribal Budget Advisory Council.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting and EXPO, at which a quorum was present, in Orlando, Florida, on Thursday, October 13, 2005.

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

Eddie L. Tullis, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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