USET Resolution No. 2006:015

REQUEST FOR EXAMINATION OF ORLANDO CABRERA BY
SENATE COMMITTEE ON 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, Orlando Cabrera, formerly of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, was nominated August 18, 2005 for the position of Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cabrera's views and knowledge on tribal self-determination, sovereignty, consultation requirements with Tribal governments, government-to-government relationships, and Indian housing issues overall are unknown; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors requests that the Senate committee on Indian Affairs invite the nominee for the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Assistant Secretary of Public and Indian Housing to meet with the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs for examination of the experience and expertise of the nominee regarding tribal self-determination and sovereignty, the consultation requirements with tribal governments, government-to-government relationships, and Indian housing issues in general; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the USET Board of Directors asserts that these hearings occur in addition to the normal confirmation hearings before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting & 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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