

## United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

USET Resolution No. 2006:024

## SUPPORT FOR A NATIVE DIGITAL SMOKE SIGNALS VIDEOCONFERENCING NETWORK

- 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, USET and the member Tribes wish to establish a video conferencing network communication system that will enhance and support their activities and business; and
- WHEREAS, USET authorizes Native Digital Smoke Signals (NDDS), a qualified and experienced digital technology company in working with Tribes, to partner with USET and the member Tribes in this program by seeking funding sources; and
- WHEREAS, USET and the member Tribes will designate a contact and liaison who is authorized to work with NDDS toward this end; and
- WHEREAS, USET and the member Tribes will be asked to furnish NDSS with information and background information that may be needed in the attempt to obtain funding; and
- WHEREAS, NDDS is required to periodically and in a timely manner report on the status of the Video Conferencing Network to USET and the member Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, it is recognized that the Video Conferencing Network structure and specifics may be different for each Tribe depending on their needs and capabilities, and
- WHEREAS, USET and each member Tribe reserves the right to decide if they participate or not in any specific aspect of the program, based on the specific requirements of the program and their respective needs; therefore, be it
- **RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors supports the efforts of Native Digital Smoke Signals to obtain funding to implement a video conferencing network communication system; and be it further
- **RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors will review this project on a year-to-year basis, with the understanding that a complete Video Conferencing Network may take multiple years to finalize.

## **CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 9, 2006.

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Eddie L. Tullis, Secretary

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