

## United South and Eastern Tribes, inc.

USET Resolution No. 2007:004

## COMPLETION OF THE TRIBAL CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT FOR READINESS

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,** in recent years, USET member Tribes have been impacted by a number of natural and man-made disasters; and

WHEREAS, USET has received funding to develop a comprehensive report that encompasses the successes and challenges of the 2005 hurricane season and further includes an assessment of Tribal, state and federal response capabilities; and

WHEREAS, the USET Tribal Emergency Services Committee has identified and recommends the Tribal Capability Assessment for Readiness (TCAR) as the selected tool for Tribal emergency preparedness and response capability assessment; and

**WHEREAS,** completion of the TCAR will assist Tribes in developing or in updating emergency management plans and in implementing emergency management activities; and

**WHEREAS,** the TCAR will also provide a quantifiable measurement of USET member Tribes' current emergency preparedness and response capacity that may be used to advocate for future resource needs; and

whereas, the USET Tribal Emergency Services Committee recommends that all USET member Tribes complete the TCAR in an effort to examine their existing emergency management program and further recommends that each member Tribe provide USET with the completed TCAR to be used as a tool to advocate Tribal emergency management resource needs; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors approves and supports the USET Tribal Emergency Services Committee's recommendation and encourages each member Tribe to complete the Tribal Capability Assessment for Readiness.

## **CERTIFICATION**

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Choctaw, MS, on Thursday, October 12, 2006.

Keller George, President

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

Eddie L. Tullis, Secretary

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