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USET Resolution No. 2014:026

TRIBAL SELF GOVERNANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE DELEGATES FOR THE NASHVILLE AREA

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-six (26) 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 United States (U.S.) Government and each federally recognized Indian Tribe has a government-to-government relationship grounded in numerous historical, political, legal, moral, and ethical considerations; and
- WHEREAS,** it is essential that Indian Tribes and U.S. Departments/Operating Divisions engage in open, continuous, and meaningful consultation; and
- WHEREAS,** the importance of Tribal Consultation with Indian Tribal Governments was affirmed through Presidential Memoranda (1994, 2004 & 2009) and Executive Order (2000); and
- WHEREAS,** the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was the first to develop and implement a Tribal Consultation process under the Presidential directives; and
- WHEREAS,** the development of a Tribal Consultation process was completed with direct involvement of Tribal Government representatives, including USET staff; and
- WHEREAS,** a variety of committees/workgroups have been developed to facilitate meaningful consultation with Tribal Governments on issues that impact them and to promote Indian Tribes' participation in the decision-making process to the greatest extent possible; and
- WHEREAS,** in December 2010, the United States recognized the rights of its First Peoples through its support of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), whose provisions and principles support and promote the purposes of this resolution; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors appoints the following individuals to represent member Tribes and their interests on the Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee for the Indian Health Service and the Department of Interior:

Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee (TSGAC)

- a. Primary Indian Health Service-Marilynn Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
- b. Alternate Indian Health Service-Casey Cooper, Chief Executive Officer, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Hospital

- c. Primary Department of Interior - Tobias Vanderhoop, Chairman, Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah)
- d. Alternate Department of Interior – Brandon Stephens, Development Director, USET
- e. Technical Representative - Dee Sabattus, THPS Director, USET
- f. Technical Representative - Elizabeth Malerba, THPS Health Policy Analyst, USET; and, be it finally

RESOLVED the USET Board of Directors authorizes and empowers the appointed individuals to act and make recommendations/decisions on their behalf while attending the respective committee/workgroup meetings and/or conference calls.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 6, 2014.



Brian Patterson, President
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.



Brenda Lintinger, Secretary
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“Because there is strength in Unity”