



# NATIONAL CONGRESS OF AMERICAN INDIANS

## The National Congress of American Indians Resolution #ABQ-03-100

### **Title: Support for Continued Funding for Training and Technical Assistance for the National American Indian Housing Council**

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**WHEREAS**, we, the members of the National Congress of American Indians of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants the inherent sovereign rights of our Indian nations, rights secured under Indian treaties and agreements with the United States, and all other rights and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and Constitution of the United States, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise promote the health, safety and welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) was established in 1944 and is the oldest and largest national organization of American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments; and

**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 National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) is the primary advocacy agency for Tribal housing entities; and

**WHEREAS**, the USET tribes have found the training and technical assistance provided by NAIHC to be exemplary and of significant value to the on-going development of housing staff, the education of tribal governments and the education of the tribal members serviced by the respective housing entities; and

**WHEREAS**, the USET tribes have not been satisfied with the training provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for lack of adaptation to the specific needs of Indian housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the USET tribes feel more comfortable with the training and technical assistance being provided by a non-regulatory agency.


**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the NCAI and USET Board of Directors does hereby recommend that the NAHASDA training and technical assistance budget enacted in FY 2004 be continued for the FY 2005 budget; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the USET Board of Directors recommends this budget line item be considered a permanent part of the NAHASDA budget; and

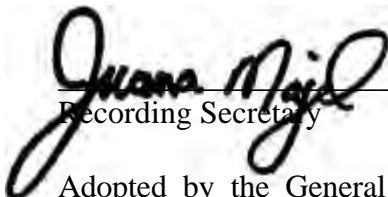
**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall be the policy of NCAI until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

### **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held at the Albuquerque Convention Center, Albuquerque, New Mexico, on November 21, 2003 with a quorum present.

  
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President

**ATTEST:**

  
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Recording Secretary

Adopted by the General Assembly during 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the National Congress of American Indians, held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, from November 17-21, 2003.