

RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

- WHEREAS, the position of United States Commissioner of Indian Affairs has been vacant for nearly one year, and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs cannot function adequately to meet its legal and moral obligations to American Indians and Alaskan Natives, and
- WHEREAS, key administrative positions in the Bureau of Indian Affairs are vacant or held by temporary personnel, and
- WHEREAS, as services are not being provided to meet educational, cultural, social and economic needs of American Indians and Alaskan Natives, and
- WHEREAS, as the education of American Indians and Alaskan Natives has become a dynamic issue in their respective communities, and
- WHEREAS, as the intense optimism generated by native peoples throughout the United States in their concern and efforts for the education of their children, and
- WHEREAS, this determination and commitment of native people to provide quality educational opportunities for their people is in a vacuum because of the lack of leadership and unfilled key educational positions.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Regents of Haskell Institute, School Board of the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute and Council of Regents of the Institute of American Indian Arts, that the President immediately appoint the United States Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that key educational and administrative positions in the Bureau of Indian Affairs be immediately assigned so that vital educational services to American Indians and Alaskan Natives are provided.

The foregoing resolution was on August 2, 1973 duly adopted by a vote of 8 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (1) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958 and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



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