

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

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is strongly aware of the extreme need for legal aid services among all Indian people, and

WHEREAS, extending legal aid services to Indian people through their respective reservations would serve generally to upgrade the right and interests of individual Indians and to advance the sovereignty of Indian Tribes through legal education and strengthening of Indian tribal members, and

WHEREAS, the Legal Services Corporation is charged with the responsibility of providing legal aid services across the country to persons in need of legal aid, including the Indian people, and

WHEREAS, funding for existing or proposed legal aid programs which service the legal needs of Indian people is greatly inadequate to cover the proven and documented needs of Indian people for such legal aid services, and

WHEREAS, the responsibility of the Legal Services Corporation is therefore not being fulfilled in regards to Indian people in need of legal aid services, and the resulting deprivation of such services maintains crucial denial of legal right and interests of such Indian people.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it urges the Legal Services Corporation to evaluate its responsibilities to give priority to Indian people's needs for adequate funding of existing and proposed Indian legal aid service programs, and to take all action appropriate and necessary for the fulfillment of such responsibility and such needs by reallocating funding to Indian programs or by seeking further federal funding to meet the extreme needs of the Indian people.

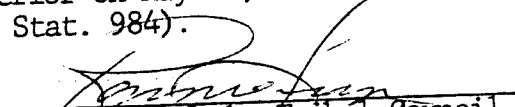
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that United States Congressmen and Senators for Arizona are hereby respectfully requested to assist the White Mountain Apache Tribe in urging the satisfaction of Indian people's grave need for legal aid services by and through the Legal Services Corporation charged with such responsibilities.

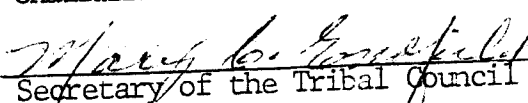
The foregoing resolution was on February 2, 1977 duly adopted by a vote of 9 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (a) and (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 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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Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council

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