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

- WHEREAS, the Federal Agency, Health, Education and Welfare is presently funding and managing the construction of a new Public Health Service Hospital Facility at Whiteriver, Arizona on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS, said Agency has contracted with Kitchell Contractors, Inc. of Phoenix to act as HEW's agent and construction manager for said construction, and
- WHEREAS, said contract contains standard federal contract provisions requiring Equal Employment Opportunities, and good faith, and
- WHEREAS, Health, Education and Welfare, through Kitchell, has proceeded under said contract to employ or contract for labor, and to undergo the hospital construction, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe is advised that said hiring practices have not included local and Apache laborers in the employment on said hospital construction, and is concerned that as many local and Apache people are employed as possible, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council fully desires that this hospital construction proceed properly and expeditiously and simultaneously desires that full compliance and attention be given to the Equal Employment and fairness requirements of the construction contract, through the hiring of local and Apache labor.
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe strongly urges that the Health, Education and Welfare Agency and the Department of Economic Security Employment Office fulfill their duties and responsibilities to enforce equal employment opportunities in the hiring practices for the construction of the new Public Health Service Hospital on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council requests such agencies to investigate denial of equal employment opportunities and discrimination in hiring by the contractors involved in this hospital construction, and to respond to the fairness and equality principles such federal agencies are bound to uphold, in the interests of all people, including the Apaches.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Tribal Chairman to take all such action as may be necessary to bring the matters of this Resolution to the attention of Health, Education and Welfare, Public Health Service and the Equal Employment Office.

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The foregoing resolution was on May 4, 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 (c) 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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council