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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe desires to maintain and manage an area on its Reservation as a Primitive Area, part of which including Mount Baldy, holds a sacred significance to members of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Fort Apache Reservation Development Advisory Committee, an area of some 7,400 acres including Mount Baldy, was set aside as a Primitive Area for a five year period ending December 31, 1970; and
- WHEREAS, Resolution No. 70-193 continued this wilderness area; and
- WHEREAS, development and disturbance in this area could have detrimental effects on wildlife, water resources, stream flow and cause severe erosion problems, and the Tribal Council is desirous to maintain an undisturbed area for future generation of Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, the Forestry Committee has reviewed the location of the boundary of this area and recommended that it be increased slightly to make a more manageable unit.
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council approves 9,500 acres as shown on the attached map in the Mount Baldy area to be classified as a Primitive Area.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this area shall not be subject to any development or timber cutting and vehicular traffic, with the exception of fire control traffic, this enforcement to be carried out by Tribal Game Wardens.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exact boundary lines be located and properly posted by the Agency Forestry and the Tribal Recreation.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Primitive Area designation will be effective from January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1982, at which time the Tribal Council may reconsider this action.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an immediate search for funds be made from any source available to fence the boundaries between this primitive area and the Apache National Forest; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if any source of funding be secured, the Chairman is authorized and directed to sign any and all documents to consummate the program.

The foregoing resolution was on August 16, 1977, duly adopted by a vote of 10 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 (i) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934, (48 Stat. 984).

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Chairman of the Tribal Council

Acting Secretary of the Tribal Council