

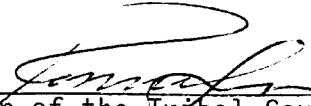
RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

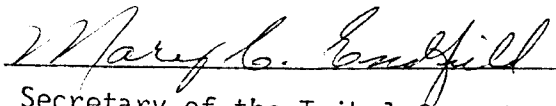
- WHEREAS, the Health Plan of the White Mountain Apache Tribe offers ample evidence that our people still experience health care problems often two to three times more severe than the nation as a whole, and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has engaged in years of diligent effort passing resolutions and lobbying, to obtain desperately needed additional health care resources, and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has been successful in obtaining needed Congressional support for its health care needs, and
- WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service has almost completed construction of a sixteen-million dollar hospital in Whiteriver, with 193 new staff positions, due to open in early spring of 1979, and
- WHEREAS, the Federal Government has instituted a "freeze" on all hiring, thus preventing Indian Health Service from filling the needed 193 new staff positions for the Whiteriver Hospital, and
- WHEREAS, this "freeze" will halt indefinitely the opening of the new Whiteriver Hospital until such time as the new staff positions have been filled.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe demand immediate exemption from the federal hiring "freeze", in order to allow the recruitment of 193 new staff needed to open the new Whiteriver Indian Health Service Hospital.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council seek support in its efforts to resolve this serious problem from the Phoenix Area Indian Health Advisory Board, the National Indian Health Board, the Association of American Indian Physicians, the American Indian Nursing Association, the Arizona Inter-Tribal Council, the National Tribal Chairmen's Association, and the National Congress of American Indians.

The foregoing resolution was on December 13, 1978 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 (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).

  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council