

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

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council on June 06, 1979, by Resolution No. 79-100 authorized the development of a sprinkler irrigation system utilizing water from the White River for growing of alfalfa and other livestock feeds; the purpose of the project being to make the Tribe self-sufficient in these vital resources that are presently threatened by the expanding energy crisis, and

WHEREAS, the beneficial use of water for agricultural purposes and overall economic development is the crucial factor in the Tribe's defense of its historic water rights, and

WHEREAS, there is presently available approximately \$1.0 million of unobligated irrigation construction funds, under the control of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Central Office, for use in the Phoenix Area of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; said funds having been accumulated over a period of several years and not presently applied to construction of irrigation projects, and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has an urgent need for the immediate use of at least \$250,000.00 of these unobligated funds in order to make the Canyon Day sprinkler irrigation project operational by July 1979, thereby getting the benefit of at least one-half of 1979 alfalfa growing season.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby addresses to the Central Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, an urgent request for the re-programming of \$250,000.00 of the said unobligated funds for the above-stated purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Chairman is authorized to take such actions as are necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on June 12, 1979 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 (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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Seamus Cody
Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council