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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe supports fully the continuing efforts made by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the public school system on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation to provide educational services to exceptional children, and
- WHEREAS, the existence of the services depend upon funding through Public Law 94-142, Special Education funding, and funding from other sources, and
- WHEREAS, the current administration is proposing and has proposed significant cuts in funding to the Department of Education from which these funds are distributed to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the respective States of these United States, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been advised that the continued existence of programs for exceptional children is doubtful if the budget cuts are finalized, and
- WHEREAS, any reduction in special education funds would impose a severe and detrimental effect on the programs in operation and would cause immediate harm and injury to those children that need these special services.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache
 Tribe that it hereby documents its concern regarding the
 proposed reduction of funds for the Exceptional Children
 Program and the deleterious effect it will have on children
 of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Council hereby encourages and implores the Appropriation Committees, the Arizona Congressional Delegation, and the Congress to maintain funding for these programs at a level commensurate with the need and that there be no reduction in the funding for programs for these exceptional children.

The foreging resolution was on March 04, 1981 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).

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Chairman of the Tribal Council

FORT APACHE INDIAN AGENCY WHITERIVER, ARIZ.

Secretary of the Tribal Council