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

TO COMPLETE THE FORT APACHE IRRIGATION PROJECT CANYON DAY UNIT

- WHEREAS, in the year 1979, the White Mountain Apache Tribe undertook to complete the Canyon Day Unit of the Fort Apache Irrigation Project, which project was planned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1965; the name of which is entitle Project Extension, Fort Apache Irrigation Project 1965; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe, following the initiation of the Canyon Day Unit of the Fort Apache Irrigation Project, has presently brought under irrigation 885 acres of highly productive land; and
- WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States appropriated in connection with the Canyon Day Unit of the Fort Apache Irrigation Project, the sum of \$4,600,000.00 pursuant to which the White Mountain Apache Tribe has undertaken the construction of Miner Flat Dam, which dam is a vital component of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation for it provides essential storage for the Canyon Day Project and likewise will provide substantial electricity through the generating plant; and
- WHEREAS, the components necessary to complete the present phase of the Canyon Day Unit are as follows:

To finish construction of the Miner Flat Dam; and

To install the necessary generating plant and equipment; and

To provide the facilities for irrigating 3,000 acres which would include the present 885 acres that are now being irrigated; and

WHEREAS, Chairman Ronnie Lupe has appeared before the Sub-Committee on Interior and Related Agencies, Congressman Yates presiding, and tendered to the Committee a full and complete written and oral statement respecting the proposals of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to proceed to complete the present phases of the Fort Apache Irrigation Project, to which reference is made above; and

- WHEREAS, in that statement Chairman Ronnie Lupe requested that the Congress of the United States appropriate an additional \$12,000,000.00 to fully complete the Canyon Day Unit of the Fort Apache Irrigation Project; and
- WHEREAS, there is attached to this resolution and made a part of it, a full and complete copy of the statement made by Chairman Ronnie Lupe to the Sub-Committee on Interior and Related Agencies.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Chairman Ronnie Lupe be and he is hereby directed to take all necessary action to obtain the appropriation of the \$12,000,000.00 to which reference is made in the Ronnie Lupe Statement to the Congress of the United States.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Chairman Ronnie Lupe is likewise authorized to proceed to any further hearings or to take any other actions in connection with the requested appropriation of \$12,000,000.00 to the end that those funds will be available forthwith for use to complete the Canyon Day Unit of the Fort Apache Irrigation Project.

The foregoing resolution was on March 03, 1983 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 (f, h, 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

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Secretary of the Tribal Council