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

## Hawley Lake Homeowners' Association Participation in 4th of July Parade

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been advised that the Hawley Lake Homeowners' Association participated in the Show Low 4th of July Independence Day Parade; and
- WHEREAS, said participation took the form of a float protesting the decision of the White Mountain Apache Tribe not to renew the leases at Hawley Lake upon their expiration and that said float and petitions and flyers handed out by the Homeowners' Association held the Tribal Council up to ridicule, insulted its integrity, and misrepresented the facts surrounding the tribal decision not to renew the leases and further embarrassed and insulted tribal members participating in the parade as well as tribal members who took part as spectators; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council by this resolution brings to the attention of the Show Low Chamber of Commerce that many Apache War Veterans who fought for the United States to secure and protect the principles for which Independence Day is celebrated as well as the Apache families of the veterans who died in the various wars to keep America free feel particularly insulted by the Homeowners' opportunistic float and protest demonstration; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council further critizes the Show Low Chamber of Commerce and the parade organizers who condoned such a demonstration which is contrary to the spirit of the Independence Day celebration; and
- the Tribal Council recommends that the White WHEREAS, Mountain Apache Tribe not participate in any future Show Low Independence Day Parades unless guarantees are made that such insulting demonstrations and protests against the Tribe and lies and misrepresentations that perpetrated by such demonstrations be eliminated from any future parades.

- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby formally protests to the Show Low Chamber of Commerce their approval of the float sponsored by the Hawley Lake Homeowners' Association which apparently was allowed to participate with the full knowledge and approval of the Show Low Chamber of Commerce in the 4th of July Independence Day Parade.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby recommends to all tribal members and departments that they not participate in any future Independence Day Parade in the City of Show Low unless the Show Low Chamber of Commerce can guarantee that demonstration floats of the kind sponsored by the Homeowners Association against the White Mountain Apache Tribe be prohibited in future parades.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby condemns the demonstration float sponsored by the Hawley Lake Homeowners' Association as a flagrant insult to the many Apache Veterans who have fought and who have died in the major wars of the United States in this century and who acted to preserve and keep intact the spirit and principles for which Independence Day is celebrated.

The foregoing resolution was on July 17,1984, 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 (a) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws 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