

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

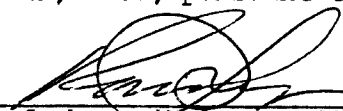
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that Mr. Robert J. Fernandez has proposed a land exchange offer with the Sigreaves National Forest, and
- WHEREAS, one of the land exchanges with the National Forest would be along the Rim Road from MP 57½ to the cattle guard at MP 58½ as located on the map attached hereto, and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, as well as the Tribal Boundary Department, has advised the Tribal Council that if the land exchange is executed Mr. Fernandez will most probably develop the land extensively resulting in a high population density which would then have almost uncontrollable access to the reservation and the Forestdale Canyon area by means of the Rim Road, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, after some discussion, with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Tribal Boundary Department, concludes that such uncontrolled access is not in the best interest for the protection of the natural resources of the Tribe or the integrity of its boundaries, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is further advised that the National Forest has already surveyed a location for the Rim Road off the reservation so as to avoid the type of conflicts or problems encountered in the past and which would help avoid future conflict, and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, based upon the recommendation of the Tribal Land Department, concludes that the Rim Road on the reservation should be closed with the assistance of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Land Operations Department and that the Rim Road should be relocated off the reservation along the proposed survey route laid out by the National Forest.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Tribal Boundary Department to discuss the permanent relocation of the Rim Road off the reservation with the appropriate Sitgreaves National Forest representative and to take the necessary steps in coordination with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to block off the Rim Road on the reservation at the appropriate time so as to prevent uncontrolled access to the reservation interior.

The foregoing resolution was on September 5, 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 (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).

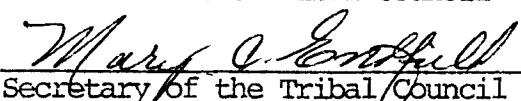
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