

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

- WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Tribe recognizes and acknowledges that there is no resource more vital to the Community than the young members of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has sought educational and instructional services for its youth through the Bureau of Indian Affairs and its programs; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs operates residential high schools such as the Phoenix Indian High School, which is currently being utilized by the Arizona Indian tribes including the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, Ross Swimmer, has proposed closure of the Phoenix Indian School with little or inadequate transitional preparation to the potential detriment of the students now attending the Phoenix Indian School; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is desirous of seeing the continued operation of the Phoenix Indian School until suitable alternative arrangements are made to meet the educational and social needs of the students; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is opposed to the disposition of the Indian School property without a plan for disposition approved and authorized by Congress; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is supportive and urges the enactment of legislation currently being drafted by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona concerning the disposition of the Phoenix Indian School property; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe supports the establishment of a Trust Fund to benefit the members of the Association in the event the Indian school property is sold after closure.

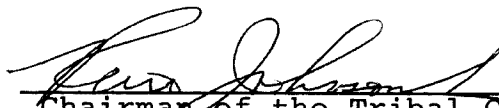
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe:

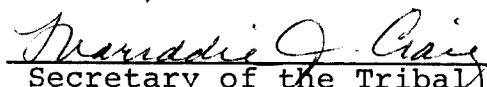
1. That the Bureau of Indian Affairs continue operating the Phoenix Indian High School until suitable transitional plans and arrangements are made to meet the educational and social needs of the students;

2. That the Bureau of Indian Affairs prepare a plan for disposition of the Phoenix Indian School property and present such plan to the Congress of the United States for review, approval and authorization;
3. That in the event the Phoenix Indian School property is sold pursuant to the disposition plan that a Trust Fund be established to benefit all tribes in Arizona;
4. That the White Mountain Apache Tribe urges the passage of federal legislation concerning the disposition of the Phoenix Indian School property as drafted by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Tribal Chairman or his representative or designee are hereby authorized and directed to take whatever steps are necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on February 5, 1987, duly adopted by a vote of NINE for and ZERO 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 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

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