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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Game and Fish Department (Recreation Enterprise) has absorbed the cost of natural resource protection for the reservation for over fifteen (15) years; and
- WHEREAS, the cost of protection of the Tribe's wildlife, timber, cattle, and archeological sites during this time is nearly Six (6) Million Dollars; and
- WHEREAS, natural resource protection is vital to the Tribe and the continued well being of its land and resources; and
- WHEREAS, it is the Bureau of Indian Affair's trust responsibility to assist the Tribe in this protection; and
- WHEREAS, the amount being requested by the Tribe from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to carry out these trust responsibilities is \$499,000 which the Tribe is willing to match for natural resource protection; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that the Tribal Chairman or his authorized representative should be authorized and directed to sign any documents necessary to submit said proposal to otherwise carry out the purpose of this resolution.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requests matching funds for natural resource protection from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Fiscal Year 1988.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that these matching funds be added to the Fort Apache Agency's budget and not come out of any existing program funding.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by Tribal Council that it hereby authorizes and directs the Tribal Chairman or his personal representative to execute all documents necessary to carry out the proposal set forth herein.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>APRIL 8, 1987</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE FOR AND ZERO AGAINST</u> by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i), (f), 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 19, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

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