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

- WHEREAS, it has been proposed to the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribe enter into a PL-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for thinning of the tribe's forest; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has been advised that there are approximately \$120,000 available for a PL-638 Thinning Contract and that there are available additional funds in the amount of 20% of the contract amount for administrative costs; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is of the opinion that it would be in the best interest of the Tribe to enter into a PL-638 contract for forest thinning, if the following terms are added to the contract: (1) The tribe will have final approval as to the areas to be cut; (2) FATCO will monitor the thinning operations; and (3) the 60 square foot growing stock level shall be restricted to the thinning of small stems 4 inches and under; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is further of the opinion that it is in the best interests of the tribe to enter into a PL-638 contract with the proviso that it be administered exclusively by the tribe and not by the B.I.A. with the Tribe hiring a Tribal Forester Technician to oversee the project;
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves execution of a 638 Contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for precommercial thinning as modified herein.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman and in his absence, the Vice Chairman, to execute any documents necessary to carry out this resolution.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that final approval for location of the thinning area is hereby delegated to the Tribal Chairman.

The foregoing resolution was on May 6, 1987, duly adopted by a vote of ELEVEN 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(b)(f)(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