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

- WHEREAS, a new fire-protection system is now being proposed, with the major portion proposed through grant assistance from the HUD CDBG Program for Indian Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, implicit in the request for assistance to build a Main Station and a Sub-station (funding permitting) is the ability to provide suitable funding and personnel for the maintenance and operation for this necessary operation; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Nation finds fire-protection to be the most critical service need at this time in terms of lives and properties on the reservation; and
- WHEREAS, in addition to the millions of dollars of investment that went into the creation of the governmental complexes, FATCO, and other business and enterprise facilities, it is now contemplated and anticipated that additional millions of dollars in facilities will soon come about such as:
 - New manufacturing production facilities (one involving the employment of 300 Tribal members);
 - Fast-food operations, through investment by outside investment interests;
 - Expanded commercial ventures, such as the one about to be undertaken for the Whiteriver Commercial Center;
 - 4. And many other developments too numerous to mention within this context; and
- WHEREAS, the current level of fire-protection could seriously affect these and other proposed future developments, with the corollary loss of employment opportunities for Tribal members who so desperately need this employment;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The White Mountain Apache Tribal Council has been presented with a fiscal-year Operation and Maintenance budget by the Fire Department Chief, the Fire Protection Committee, composed of appointed Council members, fire department personnel, BIA representatives, staff personnel, with outher interested parties in attendance; and

- The budget as it has been presented appears to be the most workable budget that would sustain the proposed improved fire-protection services, once constructed and in-place; and
- 3. The Council finds the budget as presented (see attached) as worthy of adoption for this coming fiscal year.

TO FURTHER IDENTIFY THE PROPOSED BUDGET:

The White Mountain Apache Nation's Acct. #001-091 would be increased to \$157,791.

The BIA portion would be \$41,700 as agreed to by all principals dealing with the fire-protection plan and be deposited in the 091 account of the White Mountain Apache Tribe;

And the IHS portion, which currently stands at \$7,509 would be deposited directly into the tribal account #001-091. This money is available through the Common Service Agreement account of the BIA-IHS.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that all the above funding would be available at the latest sixty (60) days before the completion of the construction.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that efforts will be intensified during the coming fiscal year to provide fire-protection improvements that will ensure that the entire reservation will be afforded equal protection for lives and properties until such time as this has been accomplished to the benefit of all those working and living on the Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on February 8, 1989, duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section (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).

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Secretary of the Tribal Council

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