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

- WHEREAS, Council Member, Matthew Nozie from District III has brought to the attention of the Tribal Council the matter of a One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollar (\$125,000.00) debt owed to the White Mountain Apache Tribe by one Ron Malfara; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has been advised by Council Member Nozie that Ron Malfara is now employed by the Warm Springs Indian Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has been requested by Matthew Nozie to take appropriate actions to recover from Mr. Malfara the money owed to the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, Legal Department for the White Mountain Apache Tribe has advised the Tribal Council that the Tribe's claim against Mr. Malfara was filed with the bankruptcy court and that such claims may be discharged in bankruptcy which contingency would not allow the Tribe to further prosecute its claim against Mr. Malfara; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Nozie has requested that the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe acknowledge that despite the legal discharge of his debt, Mr. Malfara's debt to the Tribe should be viewed as a moral obligation; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Nozie requested that based on said moral obligation and Mr. Malfara's refusal to meet said obligation to the Tribe that Mr. Malfara be excluded from the White Mountain Apache reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe intends that the new Chairman Elect Ronnie Lupe and Vice Chairman Elect Lafe Altaha take whatever appropriate actions it can with regard to Mr. Malfara's debt to the Tribe.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that if Mr. Malfara has failed to pay his obligations to the Tribe either moral or legal that he be excluded from the reservation lands of the White Mountain Apache Tribe as provided for in the Constitution, based on his actions.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Legal Department obtain for the information of the Tribal Council the final disposition of the bankruptcy claim of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in Mr. Malfara's bankruptcy proceedings.

The foregoing resolution was on April 11, 1990, duly adopted by a vote of six for and one against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (a) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on 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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