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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that Dean Jones, a non-Indian residing on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, has been indicted and charged with two counts of aggravated sexual abuse and five counts of abusive sexual contact in violation of 18 U.S.C. 2241(c) and 18 U.S.C. 2244(a)(1), respectively; and
- WHEREAS, the probable cause statement filed with the United States District Court in Phoenix under Case No. 91-11 PCT states in summary that Dean Jones, a non-member non-Indian, on March 2, 1991 advised the Lakeside-Pinetop Office of the F.B.I., specifically Agent Doug Hopkins, that he wished to provide information concerning sexual contact he had with Apache Indian girls on the White Mountain Apache Reservation and related to Agent Hopkins that he had sexually molested at least twelve Apache girls in the last five years; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 5 of the Tribal Government Code entitled: "Exclusion and Removal of Non-members", the Tribal Council has the responsibility and authority to initiate proceedings to protect its people from any threatening conduct by non-members of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, grounds exist for the exclusion of Dean Jones from the reservation pursuant to Section 5.4(A) in that his presence constitutes a threat or danger to the public health and safety of tribal members, and pursuant to Section 5.5(A)(2) in that Dean Jones has admitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation that he committed the acts complained of; and
- WHEREAS, separate grounds also exist for the exclusion of Dean Jones pursuant to Section 5.5(C); and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that there are adequate grounds to permanently exclude Dean Jones from the reservation; those grounds being that several children assaulted by Dean Jones have suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable harm, injury and emotional damage if his presence is allowed within the reservation, that parents of children assaulted by Dean Jones demand his removal in fear for the future safety of their children and parents of other children on the reservation have complained about his presence on the reservation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.9 the Chairman of the Tribal Council may petition the Tribal Court for exclusion or removal of non-members pursuant to the Exclusionary Ordinance.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Tribal Chairman and Tribal Attorney to take any and all necessary steps for the permanent removal and exclusion of Dean Jones from the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on March 26, 1991 duly adopted by a vote of <u>TEN</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 1 (q) of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws 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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