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

- WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs has proposed a realignment of the Bureau by establishing several additional layers of bureaucracy, by creating separate lines of authority for Education programs, Facilities Management, and Criminal Investigations; and
- WHEREAS, the Congress in the Fiscal Year 1991 Appropriations placed a prohibition on the Secretary of the Interior against any further actions regarding the proposed realignment because of unanimous opposition by Indian tribes and tribal organizations throughout the United States; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to Resolution No. 02-91-63, opposed such realignment; and directed that the Assistant Secretary Indian Affairs cease and reverse all actions already made concerning the administrative intent of the Congressional mandate until that mandate was complied with; and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe, by Resolution No. 02-91-63, urged the Reorganization Task Force to promote more local autonomy, eliminate the separate Bureau of Indian Education and placed increase delegation of authority at the local level under a single line authority; and
- WHEREAS, the Reorganization Task Force has requested Indian tribes to create an "ideal agency" using two models which are in direct conflict of the needs expressed by the White Mountain Apache Tribe.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe rejects the "ideal agency" models developed by the Reorganization Task Force because it creates a separate line of authority for Education programs and Criminal Investigations, and fragments the Facilities Management program at the local level.

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Secretary of the Interior and the Reorganization Task Force acknowledge the expressed desire of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to strengthen the Fort Apache Agency by creating a single line of authority under the Agency Superintendent; to delegate the necessary authority to the Agency Superintendent in order to accomplish same and to maintain Facilities Management and Criminal Investigations under the authority of the Agency Superintendent.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Director of Indian Education Programs, cease all efforts to separate Education and Facilities Management programs at the local level.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the attached "ideal agency" model its accompanying rationale, be adopted by the Secretary of the Interior and the Reorganization Task Force for the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

The foregoing resolution was on November 15, 1991, duly adopted by a vote of seven 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 (i) 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)

Signatures of the members of the Tribal Council represent their approval of Tribal Resolution No. 11-91-331.

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