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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council has reviewed the Bureau of Indian Affairs budget for FY 93 pertaining to education; and
- whereas, the White Mountain Apache Tribe is deeply concerned about the effect of proposed budget cuts non-funding of various programs for the White Mountain Apache Tribe, in particular:
  - a. Indian Agencies proposed funding at \$3.8 billion;
  - b. Lack of tribal input on the budget process, even though GAO Report 91-20 recommended such input and increases of such tribal input;
  - c. Tribal Education Department non-funding status;
  - d. Inadequate funding for Headstart, Adult Education and non-vocational education;
  - e. The unsafe condition of Indian Schools in the BIA school system as well as schools in the public school system;
  - f. High dropout rates and teachers insensitive to particular needs of Indian students which could be abated by teacher educational/development and by dropout prevention programs;
  - g. The ISEP shortfall which threatens a reduction of force at BIA operated schools;
  - h. The ISEP shortfall which threatens the restoration of JOM Program funding from IPS programs;
  - i. The ISEP shortfall which threatens the preservation of native language program;
  - j. Funding cuts for Haskell Indian College, SIPI, and special higher education programs; and
- whereas, the lack of tribal input and the inadequate funding for those programs would prove detrimental to Indian youth in general and to future education of the youth on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the U.S. Congress should be requested to take actions to insure the proper funding of Indian education programs and to take the specified following actions:

- 1. Increase funding as attended to at the Field Hearings.
- 2. Increase tribal input in the budget process.
- 3. Afford Tribes an opportunity to testify at Senate and House hearings and mark-up sessions April, 1992 through August, 1992.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>April 08, 1992</u>, 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 1 (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

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