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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has an extensive Recreation and Game and Fish Program known throughout the United States and the world; and
- WHEREAS, the goals of the White Mountain Apache Tribe were not achieved through Resolution No. 05-91-143, discontinuing the practice of allowing non-member guides for bear and lion hunts; and
- WHEREAS, no qualified Tribal members applied to become a bear or lion guide during the year; and
- WHEREAS, cattle and livestock predation by bear and lion has substantially increased over the last year on every livestock association range; and
- whereas, increased losses of livestock cause an undue financial burden on the livestock associations and the Tribal members who own cattle here on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the increased predation of livestock can be relieved through the reopening of bear and lion hunting by nonmember guides; and
- whereas, all the Tribe Livestock Associations support the recision of Resolution No. 05-91-143 and the reopening of the Reservation to non-member guides for bear and lion hunts; and
- WHEREAS, the Game and Fish Director will screen all non-member guide applications and determine their qualifications and character prior to allowing them to purchase a guide license; and
- whereas, no non-member guides shall be allowed to establish permanent camps on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, but shall only be allowed to have temporary camp sites during a hunt; and
- WHEREAS, the Game and Fish Department shall inform the Tribal Council of who has obtained a guide license for bear and lion, who received a permit to hunt bear and/or lion, and the Game and Fish Department shall also place some type of fee control on guides as to what they may charge for their services on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and

- WHEREAS, Mr. Gene Coon will not be allowed back on the Reservation to guide or participate in any hunts.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Resolution No. 05-91-143 be rescinded.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that non-members once again be allowed to guide on the Reservation once they have satisfied the Director of the Game and Fish Department of their qualifications and completed the appropriate applications.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that this resolution does not exclude tribal members from becoming guides on the Reservation.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that \$250.00 from each non-member guide application/license fee will be placed in a special fund to pay for training of interested tribal members to become bear and lion guides.

The foregoing resolution was on $\underline{July 9, 1992}$, duly adopted by a vote of \underline{six} for and \underline{two} against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (f) (i) (k) 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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