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

- whereas, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe has often expressed its concerns regarding the quality of BIA Forest Management practices and the feasibility of transferring forestry management responsibilities from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and
- whereas, the Tribal Council adopted Resolution No. 05-92-142 authorizing the establishment of a planning process to assess the BIA's performance of it's Forest Management activities, to conduct a comparative review and analysis of other tribal governments that have contracted forestry responsibilities, and to review administrative systems necessary to support any transferred activities and other forestry transfer related investigations; and
- whereas, this planning process requires the participation of a broadly representative and experienced group of tribal members to assist in the exploration, investigation, and analysis of the positive and negative aspects of transferring forest management activities from the control of the BIA to the White Mountain Apache Tribe.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby establishes a Forestry Transfer Investigation Team comprised of the following representatives:

Tribal Council Representative - Randall Massey, Jr.
Tribal Administration Representative - Edwin Kane
Natural Resource Committee Representative - Russell Henry
Natural Resource Committee Representative - Raymus Albert
BIA Forestry Tribal Member Employee Rep. - Robert Lacapa
BIA Forestry Tribal Member Employee Rep. - Guy Massey,
Staff Support - Erv Kulosa, Tribal Forester
Project Coordinator - Charles O'Hara, Tribal Planner

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the aforenamed Forestry Transfer Investigation Team shall conduct analysis and investigations related to the possible transfer of forestry activities and shall make periodic reports to the Tribal Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council that Mr. Edwin Kane is hereby designated as Chairperson for the Forestry Transfer Investigation Team.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>August 06, 1992</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>four</u> for and <u>two</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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