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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is advised that former Arizona Governor Bruce Babbitt is being considered by President-Elect, Bill Clinton, to be named as the next Secretary of the Interior; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has considered Bruce Babbitt a friend of Native Americans, and a person who is admirably suited, due to his educational background and experience, to uphold the great responsibilities and public trust that the Secretary of the Interior must fulfill; and
- WHEREAS, during his tenure as Governor of the State of Arizona, and in other private and public capacities, Governor Babbitt has shown a sensitivity to Native American issues, concerns and interests; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that very few persons will bring to the office of the Secretary the experience, background and knowledge that Governor Babbitt possesses in the area of environment, natural resources, water rights and the trust obligation to the people of the United States and Native Americans.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports and urges the nomination and appointment of Governor Bruce Babbitt as Secretary of the Interior.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it directs the Tribal Council Secretary to send a copy of this resolution to President-Elect Bill Clinton's transition team.

The foregoing resolution was on December 14, 1992 duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</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 (a) 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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