

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

WHEREAS, the U.S. Economic Development Administration ("EDA") residing within the Department of Commerce provides funds for economic development under the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 (PL 89-136); and

WHEREAS, Indian Tribes, including the White Mountain Apache Tribe, are eligible to receive funds from EDA for planning, which creates or allows Tribes to retain full time permanent jobs and income for the unemployed and underemployed in areas of economic distress; and

WHEREAS, historically, EDA had a program which specifically set funds aside for planning and public works projects for Indian Tribes, but the Reagan Administration entirely cut the Indian set aside project approximately 12 years ago; and

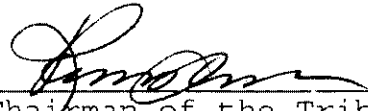
WHEREAS, since the elimination of the Indian set aside program, Tribes have had to compete directly with states and other entities for funding while actual funding levels have decreased; and

WHEREAS, while the White Mountain Apache Tribe has successfully competed for EDA funds, the changes have often resulted in Tribes having to sometimes wait for years for Public Works programs.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby requested Congress to re-instate the Indian set aside program within the EDA, and to increase EDA appropriations to a point becomes a major force for economic development in rural areas, and especially on Indian reservations.

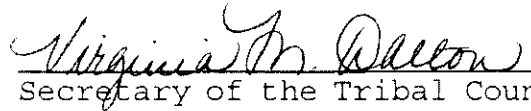
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that the Congress is called upon to establish an Indian Liaison within the EDA who will report directly to the EDA Assistant Secretary, who will serve as an advocate on behalf of Indian Tribes at the national level, and who will advise and educate key personnel within EDA regarding Tribal economic needs.

The foregoing resolution was on January 05, 1994, duly adopted by a vote of nine for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (i), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council

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