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

- WHEREAS, the Whiteriver Vehicle Restraint Task Force was formed to address the lack of vehicle restraint use on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the use of child safety seats and seat belts has proven to reduce death and injury resulting from motor vehicle crashes; and
- WHEREAS, the present usage rate, as determined by surveys, is 7% for child safety seats and 20% for seat belts; and
- WHEREAS, the Task Force's primary goal is to increase usage rates to 25% for child safety seats and 50% for seat belts by December, 1994. The long range goal is to increase the usage rate of both to 90% by the year 2000; and
- WHEREAS, the most effective way to increase restraint use is concentrated effort of enforcement and awareness education; and
- WHEREAS, the Task Force will begin a 60 day promotional campaign which will make the reservation communities aware of the already adopted White Mountain Apache Mandatory Seat Belt and Mandatory Motor Vehicle Child Restraint Law.
- BEIT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Police Department to strictly enforce immediately the 60 day campaign, the already adopted White Mountain Apache Mandatory Seat Belt Law and Mandatory Motor Vehicle Child Restraint Law.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council that a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the Apache Police Department, Tribal Court Judges, Indian Health Service, Fort Apache Scout Newspaper and posted prominently throughout the Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>February 24, 1994</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>ten</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 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

Secretary of the Tribal Council