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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has received audit information that the Tribal Game and Fish Department has expended approximately \$200,000 for motor vehicle repairs in FY 92-93 which is far and above the projected costs for this activity; and
- WHEREAS, it is the Constitutional responsibility of the Tribal Council to manage all economic activities and enterprises of the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the appearance of excessive repair expenditures for approximately fifteen (15) motor vehicles assigned to the Tribal Game and Fish Department, the reported use of a Tribal Game and Fish Department vehicle in Flagstaff by the wife of the Executive Director of the Game and Fish Department, and the charging of materials at the Hondah Home Center by persons apparently not employed at Game and Fish gives rise to an obligation on the part of the Tribal Council to make appropriate inquiry as to the use of tribal monies budgeted for the Game and Fish Department to ensure funds are being utilized for the welfare and benefit of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and to fulfill the responsibilities of the Game and Fish Department; and
- whereas, related to the issue of accountability of funds appropriated for the operation of the Tribal Game and Fish Department is information that the Executive Director of the Game and Fish Department has solicited political campaign donations from patrons of the annual Tribal Trophy Elk Hunt; and
- whereas, the Tribal Council is concerned that patrons of the Tribe would be so solicited as the Tribal Council wishes to ensure that tourists, customers, and patrons of the Tribe are not subjected to any political pressure to make political campaign donations; and
- WHEREAS, the first step in assuring financial accountability is to conduct an audit and inventory of equipment of the Game and Fish Department.

BEIT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Office of the Tribal Chairman to cause an immediate audit to be conducted of motor vehicle repairs at the Tribal Game and Fish Department, and to conduct an audit generally of the allocation of tribal funds utilized by the Game and Fish Department to (1) determine the highest and best use of said funds, (2) the prior utilization of said funds, and (3) to prepare an immediate inventory of all equipment, property and motor vehicles assigned to the Tribal Game and Fish Department and to affix thereon an appropriate non-removable label "Property of the White Mountain Apache Tribe."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that it hereby prohibits the solicitation of any type of political campaign donation by any tribal employee or official from any trophy elk hunter or prospective trophy elk hunter.

The foregoing resolution was on April 19, 1994, duly adopted by a vote of seven for and zero against and three abstentions by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (f), (h), (i), (s), (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).

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Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council