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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council represents the White Mountain Apache Tribe in all matters affecting Tribal welfare and resources; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council may regulate individuals' entry onto the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and their activities within its borders; and
- WHEREAS, tour operators have brought groups onto the Reservation to enjoy the Tribe's natural, cultural, intellectual, and other resources without the Tribe's consent; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council believes that the regulation of tour services on the Reservation, including establishment of a uniform permitting and fee collection system would serve the best interests of the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council established the Office of Tribal Tourism to develop a strategic plan to cultivate and coordinate the tourism industry on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council may direct the Office of Tribal Tourism to undertake the actions necessary to carry out those responsibilities.
- BEIT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that, for each individual intending to use tour services, it shall be a condition of entry onto the Fort Apache Indian Reservation that the individual shall first, through the tour operator, pay the necessary fee and acquire a Tribal Tourism Permit.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that, for the purposes of this Resolution, "tour operator" means any person who arranges or provides tour services on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and "tour services" means any services provided for pay or other remuneration, related to arranging or facilitating the entry onto the Reservation of non-members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe for the purpose of visiting or inspecting White Mountain Apache lands, activities, or cultural resources.

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Office of Tribal Tourism, in addition to its other responsibilities, to develop and, subject to the approval of the Tribal Chairman, to implement a uniform permitting and fee collection system for tour services, including an accounting and record-keeping system.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby delegates to the Tribal Chairman authority to review and approve the permitting and fee collection system developed by the Office of Tribal Tourism and any revisions thereto.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Office of Tribal Tourism shall collect the permit fees from tour operators and forward them to the Tribal Treasurer.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that paying any permit fees imposed pursuant to this Resolution shall not exempt permittees from paying any other Tribal fees, unless the Tribal Council explicitly so exempts them.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it directs the Office of Tribal Tourism to post at its Office, and at other appropriate public places, and to publish in the Fort Apache Scout newspaper, any fee schedules approved pursuant to this Resolution.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Tribal Council enactment of a Tourism Ordinance of the same subject matter shall automatically supersede this Resolution.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the acts and deeds of the members of the Tribal Council necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this Resolution are hereby ratified, confirmed and adopted as the acts and deeds of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

The foregoing resolution was on August 03, 1995, duly adopted by a vote of eight 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), (f), (g), (h), (i), (o), (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).

ACTING

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council

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