

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

- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Gaming Commission is entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring that the White Mountain Apache Tribe's gaming operations are conducted in accordance with federal law and with the terms of the compact with the State of Arizona while protecting tribal sovereignty; and
- WHEREAS,** the Commission to operate most efficiently requires that an active, full Commission is in place; and
- WHEREAS,** the recent resignations of Sue (Goseyun) Clarkson and Larry Vicario due to potential conflicts of interest have created two vacancies on the Commission; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council wishes to take all steps necessary to protect the Tribe's gaming assets, including assuring that the Gaming Commission operates to the highest level of efficiency; and
- WHEREAS,** appointment of Gaming Commissioners is a responsibility of the Tribal Council; and
- WHEREAS,** Lona Ethelbah has faithfully served the Tribe in a number of capacities and has effectively represented the Tribe in meetings with external organizations and her understanding of the need to protect the Tribe as a first priority is unexcelled; and
- WHEREAS,** Jack Barker, Attorney residing in Pinetop and serving as attorney for the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside, has demonstrated his commitment to the Tribe in many ways, including coordinating the appearance of off-reservation witnesses to appear before Mediator Judge Gordon when the fight to secure the initial compacts with the State were in dispute.

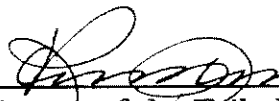
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Lona Ethelbah and Jack Barker be appointed to the Tribal Gaming Commission to fill the vacancies currently existing on that body.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council that in accordance with the Tribal Gaming Ordinance Chapter 2, Section 2.010, that the terms of appointment shall be for three years expiring January 10, 2000 and that compensation shall be the same for attending Gaming Commission meetings as previously authorized.

The foregoing resolution was on January 08, 1997, 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 the White Mountain Apache Tribal Constitution, including Article IV, Sections 1 (a), (s), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on 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).

RESOLVED
BY THE TRIBAL COUNCIL
ON JANUARY 08, 1997
AT THE MEETING OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL
HOLDING REGULAR MEETINGS AT THE
TRIBE HEADQUARTERS, 1000 W. WASHINGTON ST., TUBAC, ARIZONA 85646


Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council