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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache reservation contains significant deposits of sand and gravel which have been identified by the Bureau of Mines and other consultants; and
- WHEREAS, the continued viability of the Canyon Day sand and gravel pits are questionable; and
- WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) has identified a number of road projects that will require significant tonnages of aggregate for resurfacing and other road construction on the reservation; and
- WHEREAS, number of these projects are in the proximity of U.S. 60 where gravel deposits in the area of Hop Canyon and along the northern border have already been identified; and
- WHEREAS, cost effective excavation of these deposits could provide significant revenues to the Tribe; and
- WHEREAS, in order to utilize the gravel resources, these deposits must be tested for quantity and quality and excavation and reclamation plans must be developed.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Planning Department is hereby authorized to assess the feasibility of utilizing these gravel deposits.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council that the Planning Department is directed to brings its recommendations for the utilization of these sand and gravel deposits at the November meeting of the Tribal Council.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>September 11, 1997</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 the White Mountain Apache Tribal Constitution, including Article IV, Sections 1 (a), (f), (h), (I), (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).

Chairman of the Pfibal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council