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

- WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service Office of Environmental Health routinely collects severe injury data to identify injury trends on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, these data are used to develop intervention strategies in an effort to reduce severe injury and trauma to tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, severe injury data recently collected on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation indicate motor vehicle crashes as the third leading cause of severe injury hospitalization and the leading cause of injury fatality among Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS, the majority of the crashes occur on State Route 73; and
- WHEREAS, the Indian Health Service Office of Environmental Health proposes to initiate a study which would analyze motor vehicle crashes occurring on State Route 73 from Hondah to Carrizo Junction from 1992 1998; and
- WHEREAS, data sources used for the study will include the Whiteriver Service Unit Severe Injury Surveillance System, Whiteriver Police Department crash records, and the Arizona Department of Transportation crash data; and
- WHEREAS, all provisions of the Privacy Act will be adhered to and no personal identifiers such as names or license numbers will be used; and
- WHEREAS, a final report of the study findings will be completed and will discuss crash characteristics, any crash cluster sites, cluster site improvement needs and/or any general roadway problems or needs to help prioritize the expenditure of road construction dollars and expedite the correction of any identified crash cluster sites; and
- WHEREAS, the study findings will be provided to the White Mountain Apache Tribe, ADOT, IHS and other Tribes.

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Indian Health Service Office of Environmental Health to complete the study of motor vehicle crashes occurring on State Route 73 between Hondah and Carrizo Junction.

The foregoing resolution was on February 11, 1998, duly adopted by a vote of ten 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), (b), (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).

Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council