

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

**WHEREAS**, through enactment of Resolution 12-96-299 the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe authorized assumption of functions of the Arizona State Historic Preservation Officer pertaining to the Fort Apache Indian Reservation by the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer and named John R. Welch to serve as the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Historic Preservation Officer until a Tribal member obtains the minimum qualifications or a new Tribal Historic Preservation Officer is appointed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe's Historic Preservation Officer has, pursuant to the terms of the 1996 agreement with the National Park Service, enhanced tribal sovereignty, administrative capacity, and economic development through the management of inventory, planning, and education functions previously administered by the Arizona State Historic Preservation Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe's Historic Preservation Office now stands ready to assume the National Register nomination and Section 106 compliance functions from the Arizona State Historic Preservation Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe's assumption and local administration of these functions will further enhance the sovereignty of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and serve to expedite the Section 106 consultation process involving federal agency undertakings on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, resulting in a significant reduction in the time required to initiate many projects.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman, and in his absence the Vice-Chairman, to enter into a new agreement with the Secretary of the Interior through the Director of the National Park Service, by which the Tribe, through the Tribal Historic Preservation Office administered by John R. Welch, will assume additional State Historic Preservation Office functions.

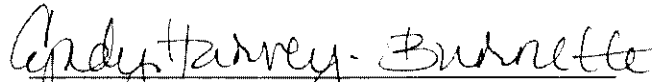
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that provisions of Resolution 12-96-299 not affected by the above remain in full effect.

**Resolution No. 03-99-58**

The foregoing resolution was on March 4, 1999 duly adopted by a vote of 9 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (g), (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

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