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

- **WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council on January 7, 1999, pursuant to Resolution No. <u>01-99-11</u>, reviewed and approved the Tribal Forest Management Deductions Budget and Use Plan for FY 1998-1999; and
- WHEREAS, within that budget the Tribal Council earmarked funds for needed capital improvements at the Fort Apache Timber Company to insure that improvements begin to take place at the sawmill; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes the pivotal role played by the FATCO sawmill in fulfilling the Tribe's objectives, in accordance with the National Indian Forest Resource Management Act; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council noted that the earmarked funds of \$2 million, would be made available to the FATCO sawmill upon the receipt of a detailed business plan from the FATCO Board of Directors identifying the budget for the needed capital acquisitions, as well as a projection on the financial return from the capital expenditures; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council directed that any expenditures from the Forest Management Education Funds would be a limited nature so as to maintain an adequate fund balance to maintain the Tribe's Forest Management Plan in perpetuity; and
- WHEREAS, on this date the Tribal Council has received, reviewed, and discussed the capital expenditure request from the Fort Apache Timber Company Board of Directors; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is satisfied with the details provided in the request, and it finds that the proposal meets the requirements set forth in the prior Council resolution.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the capital expenditure request submitted by the Fort Apache Timber Company Board of Directors, and for that reason it submits the request on behalf of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for funding from the Tribe's Forest Management Deduction Funds, pursuant to the National Indian Forest Resource Management Act guidelines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby delegates authority to the Tribal Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, to execute any documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>July 15, 1999</u>, duly adopted by a vote of <u>EIGHT</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (c), (h), (i), (j), (t) and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on September 30,1 993, 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