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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Housing Authority ("Housing Authority") as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity ("TDHE") of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") is responsible for carrying out the Housing Plans of the Tribe and undertaking the development and operation of housing, pursuant to the provisions of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 ("NAHASDA"); and
- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council ("Council") has, pursuant to Resolution No. 99-99-241, adopted on September 2, 1999, directed the Housing Authority to maintain present salary funding for Ms. Chadeen Palmer, who is currently the Coordinator of the Tribe's Rainbow Fire Task Force ("Rainbow Fire Coordinator"); and
- WHEREAS, although the Housing Authority has advised the Tribal Council that is wholeheartedly affirms and supports, as part of its ongoing housing development and operational responsibilities, pre-planning and prevention coordination efforts for fires and other disasters, the Housing Authority desires to do so with existing staff resources, including presently established salary levels; and
- WHEREAS, the Housing Authority has also advised the Tribal Council that the continued funding by the Housing Authority of Ms. Palmer's present salary, as Rainbow Fire Coordinator, imposes, a burden and hardship upon the operational budget of the Housing Authority; and
- WHEREAS, it is the further opinion and belief of the Housing Authority that such continued and indefinite funding by the Housing Authority of Ms. Palmer's present salary, as Rainbow Fire Coordinator, could subject the Housing Authority to adverse Audit Findings and Questioned Costs in the course of future Audits of its Financial Statements; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, upon further consideration, believes it to be in the best interests of the Housing Authority and the Tribe for the Board of Commissioners ("Board") of the Housing Authority to deal directly with the status of Ms. Palmer as Rainbow Fire Coordinator, in order to (1) assess and evaluate her past and present performance as such, in light of the Housing Authority's TDHE duties and responsibilities, (2) address and resolve her previously terminated employment status with the Housing Authority, as its former Administrative Assistant, and (3) establish and as necessary

resolve, the role, function, tenure, and salary level, as appropriate, under which Ms. Palmer may be permitted to continue her capacity as Rainbow Fire Coordinator.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that Resolution No. 09-99-241, adopted on September 21, 1999, be, and it hereby is, rescinded and withdrawn, in order to permit the Housing Authority, by and through its Board, to address and implement the issues and concerns set forth therein, as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity of, and for, the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority shall convene to (1) assess and evaluate the past and present performance of Ms. Chadeen Palmer as the Rainbow Fire Coordinator, in light of the Housing Authority's TDHE duties and responsibilities, (2) address and resolve her previously terminated employment status with the Housing Authority, as its former Administrative Assistant, and (3) establish, and as necessary resolve, the role, function, tenure, and salary level, as appropriate, under which Ms. Palmer may be permitted to continue in her capacity as Rainbow Fire Coordinator.

The foregoing resolution was on November 5, 1999 duly adopted by a vote of SIX 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), (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).

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