

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

- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe suffered the tragic loss of Police Officer Tenny Gatewood, Jr., who was killed in the line of duty on December 9, 1999; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe has been faced with many other acts of serious violence committed against Tribal members, the impacts of which cause enduring pain and grief for affected family members; and
- WHEREAS,** the alleged perpetrators of Officer Gatewood's murder were fortunately captured soon after the shooting, however many other serious crime events remain unsolved, thereby causing additional pain and resentment by affected families; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council is advised that the BIA Criminal Investigator's Office in Whiteriver is understaffed, with only two investigators on staff and at least two openings in the department which have continued to be unfilled; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe expects that qualified investigators be assigned to these open positions without delay; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council is also advised that the recent man-hunt and investigation following the Tenny Gatewood shooting underscored the growing disparity in training opportunities between Tribal and Federal BIA Criminal Investigators and the more advanced investigation techniques which have been made available to state crime investigators; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe expects that its federal trustee will ensure that additional criminal investigators are assigned to the Tribe and will be provided the latest in criminal investigation techniques and training; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council expects prompt action from the BIA Law Enforcement Division along with updates from the Division advising the Tribe on the progress in improving law enforcement services within the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council will ensure that the Tribe continues to monitor and verify the progress made by the Law Enforcement Division on behalf of the Tribe.
- BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby advises the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement Division, Ted Quasala

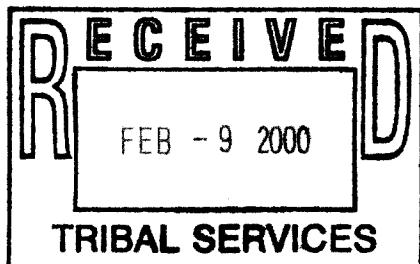
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Director, that it must have qualified replacements to fill the two open criminal investigator positions in the Fort Apache Agency and to seek funding for additional positions at the Agency level due to the increasing workload.

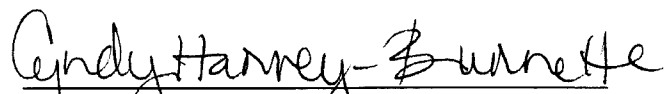
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Bureau of Indian Affairs Law Enforcement Division, Ted Quasala Director, provide funding for training for all criminal investigators to bring the current skills and training techniques of such investigators up to the standards in place as expected of any first rate law enforcement organization.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs the Tribal Chairman to contact Mr. Ted Quasala and advise him of this resolution and to reiterate the Tribe's intent on closely monitoring the progress of the law enforcement services division on this effort.

The foregoing resolution was on January 11, 2000 duly adopted by a vote of SEVEN 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), (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