

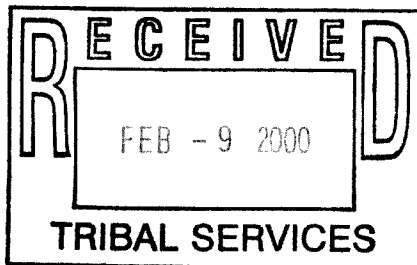
**RESOLUTION OF THE
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

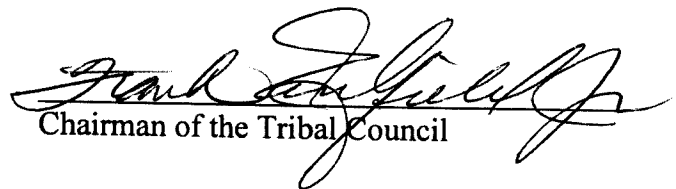
- WHEREAS**, the University of Arizona (U of A) performed a feasibility study to analyze the need and potential success of a long term care facility on the White Mountain Apache Tribe (WMAT) reservation; and
- WHEREAS**, the findings of the U of A study indicates such a facility is needed and a continuum of long term care services such as independent care, home care services, assisted group care and skilled nursing care are needed; and
- WHEREAS**, there is committed support from the WRSU-IHS, to help develop an appropriate program of medical services for such a facility, and to assure necessary IHS plans are also developed to implement the delivery of those services when a facility is constructed; and
- WHEREAS**, there is committed support from Northland Pioneer College and Northern Arizona University to develop appropriate college curriculum that would provide necessary education for the staffing of such a facility, i.e., nursing, administration and ancillary staff; and
- WHEREAS**, there exists an established Steering Committee authorized by Tribal Resolution No. 02-99-40 dated February 5, 1999 to carry out the development of a plan to construct and make operational such a facility by accepted Ways & Means; and
- WHEREAS**, there exist various foundations and agencies with financial support via grants that could assist the WMAT in this endeavor, and the Steering Committee needs open approval to pursue and obtain these grants; and
- WHEREAS**, there is need for specialized and experienced staff or consultants to accomplish specific sections of the Project Plan, e.g., staffing, medicare certification, educating WMAT members to staff the program, program equipment development, medical program development, etc., and the Steering Committee needs approval to employ or retain needed staff support; and
- WHEREAS**, the WMAT has a Tribal Planning Office and many and various social programs that can be directed to participate and provide necessary program resources to develop a plan to construct and make operational such a facility; and

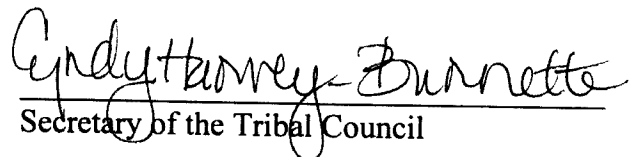
WHEREAS, there is need to identify a land site for construction and operation of a facility and the Steering Committee needs approval to best locate and secure a designated site.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that with the defined need for a long term care facility, the Steering Committee be directed to develop a construction and operational plan for such a facility utilizing all available WMAT resources and that all WMAT programs are hereby directed to actively participate if and when their expertise or resources are required by the Steering Committee, and the Steering Committee is approved to secure necessary grants to retain staff or consultant support to accomplish specialty areas of the Program Plan, and approval is also granted for the Steering Committee to secure a favorable land site for the facility.

The foregoing resolution was on January 14, 2000 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), (h), (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).




Chairman of the Tribal Council


Secretary of the Tribal Council