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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe Long Term Care Facility Initiate has determined that it is feasible and desirable for the White Mountain Apache Tribe to build and operate a Long Term Care Facility in the vicinity of Whiteriver, Arizona; and
- WHEREAS, this planning work has considered funding sources, future assisted and long term care needs of the Tribe; and
- **WHEREAS**, the cost to develop, construct, equip, and operate the Long Term Care Facility for its first year of operation would be:

Construction of a 100 bed Long Term Care Facility	\$4,500,000
Purchase needed equipment to operate the facility	500,000
Start up costs, including hiring key staff, training new	
staff, office space, office equipment, etc.	250,000
First years operations expenses	2,250,000
Total cost through the end of the first year of operations:	\$7,500,000

- WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Agency, has been a financial supporter of past Rural Development projects on the Reservation whereby the Rural Development is accepting applications for additional Tribal Projects.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it approves and endorses the Long Term Care Initiative's application to the Rural Development for a Federally Guaranteed Low Interest Loan of \$5,000,000 for the development, construction, equipping, staffing, and for the first year of the operation of the Long Term Care Facility that is to be located in the vicinity of Whiteriver, Arizona.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Tribal Chairman or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman is authorized to sign the application, documents, with the understanding that submitting applications to Rural Development for determination of eligibility does not obligate the Tribe to accept the funds or to proceed without further Tribal Council direction.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>March 31, 2000</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SIX</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), (b), (i), (j), (l), and (u) of the Constitution of the Tribe, ratified by

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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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Secretary of the Tribal Council