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

- WHEREAS, Tribal member Jimmy Hastings has come before the Tribal Council to describe a business plan he has developed with a partner, named Noel Benoist, to provide auto parts sales and services; and
- WHEREAS, the two have plans for a business, to be called the Great Chiefs Auto Mall, which would be located across from the Whiteriver airport; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Hastings requests a business site lease for this purpose; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Hastings and Mr. Benoist advise the Council that they have received land office approval for 11 acres across from the Whiteriver airport; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Benoist and Mr. Hastings request any technical advice or assistance the Tribe can offer, and on that basis, Tribal Council recommends the use of the Tribal Grant Writer and other Tribal Departments as appropriate; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Benoist and Mr. Hastings also request Tribal data concerning expenditures for vehicle maintenance, including related support staff costs; and
- WHEREAS, Tribal Council would like more details concerning the business proposal, and information concerning the background of Mr. Hastings' partner, Noel Benoist.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes a 25-year business site land lease with one renewal for the proposal to Tribal member Jimmy Hastings, subject to the completion of lease negotiations, with a completed and final lease document brought back to the Council for final approval.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the appropriate Tribal Departments to provide data and technical assistance as indicated above to develop the business plan and final proposal.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that along with the final lease documents the partners provide more detail on the nature of their business and background information on the business partner Noel Benoist.
- The foregoing resolution was on <u>July 13, 2000</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>NINE</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in

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it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (e), (h), (i), (m), (s), (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

Segretary of the Tribal Council