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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council asserts that education for our youth is a high priority; and
- WHEREAS, the Council recognizes that our students needs for education differ and demand unique environmental and scholastic settings; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs Line Officer has authority to administer educational programs for White Mountain Apache children; and
- WHEREAS, it is a reasonable expectation that the BIA Line Officer supports the rights of parents to choose an educational environment that is best for their child(ren); and
- WHEREAS, Sherman Indian High School and other schools outside of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation have historically served our students both academically and socially.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby supports the right of Apache parents to send their child(ren) to the school that best fits their student(s) needs.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby recommends the BIA Line Officer sign all appropriate documents to enable White Mountain Apache students to attend the school of their choice.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>August 3, 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 it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (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).

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