

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

- WHEREAS, Dr. James M. Galloway, Director of the Native American Cardiology program and the Director of the Center for Native American Health at the University of Arizona, has approached the Tribal Council this date with a request that the Tribal Council approve for publication his article entitled, The Increasing Incidents of Coronary Arteries Disease and Cardiovascular Risk Factors Among a Southwest Native American Tribe: The White Mountain Apache Heart Study and also approve his plan to perform exercise stress testing on White Mountain Apache Tribal member volunteers; and
- WHEREAS, the purpose of publishing the article in medical journals and educational journals throughout America is to inform the medical community, which includes medical research specialist, practicing physicians, and medical personnel of all kinds, on the high incidents of heart attacks in Indian country; and
- WHEREAS, the purpose of conducting the stress test will be to gather reliable information on the pattern of heart disease in the Fort Apache Indian Reservation and provide valuable information and increased awareness about the factors which cause heart disease and help educate residents of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation on the prevention of heart disease.
- WHEREAS, the goal of this increased awareness throughout America and the world on Native American heart disease and will contribute to possibly increasing the amount of funding available for research, studies, and prevention of heart disease in Indian Country; and
- WHEREAS, all personal information, names, and any identifying factors of participants in the study and the article proposed for publication are confidential and will not be published or distributed by Dr. Galloway and his authorized staff; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council concludes that granting approval to Dr. Galloway to publish his article and conduct stress testing as described above that could lead to increased funding to the local Indian Health Services hospital and medical providers to prevent the increasing risk of heart disease on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves publication of <u>The Increasing Incidents of Coronary Arteries Disease and Cardiovascular Risk Factors Among a Southwest Native American Tribe: The White</u>

Mountain Apache Heart Study, exclusively for medical research and education purposes only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves Dr. Galloway's request to perform exercise stress testing on 50 to 100 White Mountain Apache Tribal member volunteers over the age of 45 who have diabetes of at least 5 years in duration and one or more other cardiovascular risk factor, in addition to a chart review of up to 50 members with symptoms with heart disease and multiple cardiac risk factors. Such information and testing shall be protected as confidential information and the results thereof shall be utilized exclusively for medical research and education on prevention of heart disease and cardiac risk factors for members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

The foregoing resolution was on November 2, 2000 duly adopted by a vote of FIVE for, ZERO against, and ONE abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (g), (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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ACTING Chairman of the Tribal Council

Secretary of the Tribal Council