

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

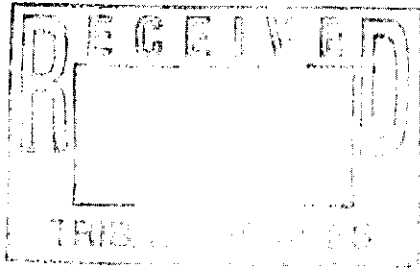
- WHEREAS,** members of the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe are duly elected representatives of the people of their respective districts; and, among the many issues of concern to the Tribal Council are the health and well-being of its Tribal members; and
- WHEREAS,** the White Mountain Apache Tribe has learned of grant funds available to American Indian tribes on a competitive basis from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Indian Health Service (IHS) for the establishment of Native American Research Centers for Health (NARCH) in which selected tribes would partner with an academic research institution for the purpose of combatting priority health problems by methods determined by sound research; and
- WHEREAS,** in White Mountain Apache Tribal Council Resolution No. 08-2000-247, August 15, 2000, the Tribe selected the Johns Hopkins University's Center for American Health (CAIH) as the academic institution with which to partner based on twenty years' research experience that Johns Hopkins University has had on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation in which the health of Apache infants and young children have greatly improved through sound clinical research; and
- WHEREAS,** working together as partners, various representatives of the Tribe, including public servants, tribal officials, government workers, private individuals, and the Johns Hopkins University have developed four priority research themes for the NARCH grant proposal: Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention, Mental Health, Injury Prevention, and Infectious Diseases, and all of these are components of an overarching theme of "Family Strengthening"; and
- WHEREAS,** the key strengths and benefits of this grant proposal are that it pulls together the many Tribal and other local programs which provide services to families; and it uses the greatest resource of the Apache people, themselves, to help develop and carry out the research plans; and, further, it relies upon and builds the skills of Tribal member program staff to expand upon these investigative goals, through the training and employment opportunities offered by Johns Hopkins; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Council recognizes the potential from this innovative grant program to better serve and strengthen the health of our families through the development of educated and experienced Tribal members and program directors who, by the end of the grant period, will, have acquired new skills and knowledge in conducting and formulating public health research to allow the White Mountain Apache Tribe, through the resources of its own members, to better address the public health needs of its people
- WHEREAS,** as part of the grant proposal the Tribe would sub-contract 70% of the grant amount to Johns Hopkins to carry out key program elements and to assume responsibility for and train Tribal members for the local investigative work, and provide university

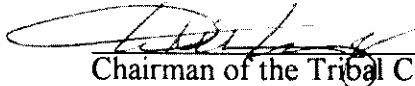
training opportunities and tuition stipends at Johns Hopkins University for the Tribal member participants.

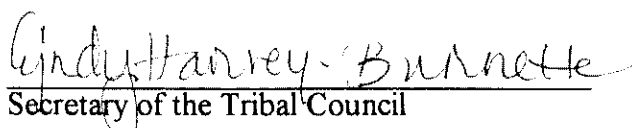
BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby reaffirms its support for the NARCH grant application as stated in Resolution 08-2000-247, and that it expresses support for the goals of this innovative grant proposal, and approves and authorizes the four grant investigative themes set forth above, all of which support the grant's primary focus and theme of "Family Strengthening".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe hereby requests that all entities of the Tribal government and other local programs and agencies, such as the schools, IHS, and BIA, be informed of this grant proposal effort and for all to give their full support and cooperation to this effort to those selected to direct the various aspects of the Program, and to the Tribal Health Authority.

The foregoing resolution was on November 27, 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), (j), (k), (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


Secretary of the Tribal Council