

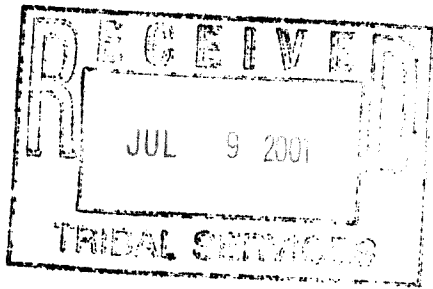
**RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has adopted and hereby reaffirms by this resolution that all tribal program staff hire individuals with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribe's "Vocational Rehabilitation Program" has and provided and continues providing placement services for individuals with disabilities into employment situations on the Reservation; and
- WHEREAS**, the "Vocational Rehabilitation Program" staff has worked to establish a sound foundation and cooperative working arrangements with the State of Arizona Rehabilitation Services Administration, the American Indian Rehabilitation Research and Training Center and various Tribal Programs and organizations; and
- WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Education is providing funding assistance to federally recognized Indian Tribes under its "Special Demonstration Programs," to assist tribes in developing model demonstration projects with innovative methods of promoting achievement of high-quality employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS**, funding assistance from the U.S. Department of Education under this Program, would allow the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Vocational Rehabilitation program to expand the services it currently provides by further increasing training, instruction and vocational rehabilitation related services to American Indians with disabilities, which would lead to additional employment opportunities; and
- WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribe's Vocational Rehabilitation Program staff has the expertise and if funded by the U.S. Department of Education for a Special "Demonstration Program-Model Demonstration Project," may develop a small business venture, which will be run by Tribal members with disabilities residing on or near the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation, focusing primarily on those individuals with severe disabilities, and would involve processing scrap materials from the Fort Apache Timber Company (FATCO) into attractive items for sale at nearby shops, hardware stores and other entities, including those with tourists as their primary customers; and
- WHEREAS**, the Vocational Rehabilitation Program Staff and the Tribal members with disabilities participating in the "White Mountain Apache Tribe's Model Demonstration Project" will develop collaborative working arrangements with FATCO and the above-mentioned retail entities to market the products produced, through the Project.

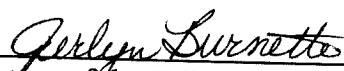
**Resolution No. 06-2001-169**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the filing of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Education for the development of a "Model Demonstration Project," under its "Special Demonstration Programs," on the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation.

The foregoing resolution was on June 12, 2001 duly adopted by a vote of FIVE 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), (h), (i), (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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Chairman of the Tribal Council

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Secretary of the Tribal Council