

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

WHEREAS, oral health is more than healthy teeth - it is a key part of the general health and well-being of the individual; and

WHEREAS, improving the oral health of individuals improves the overall health status of communities; and

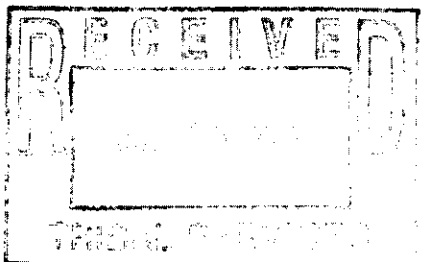
WHEREAS, safe and effective means that everyone can adopt exist to improve their oral health and prevent dental disease in communities; and

WHEREAS, progress has been made in preventing dental disease in the White Mountain Apache Tribe, but a high prevalence and severity in all age groups has resulted in an overwhelming demand on the resources available to provide care; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc. (ITCA) Dental Clinical and Prevention Support Center exists to improve the oral health of American Indian communities in Arizona.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it will conduct a community based oral health needs assessment in the White Mountain Apache Tribe. The White Mountain Tribe will assist in forming an Advisory Committee and will facilitate gathering information from various tribal members, organizations, or other sources of public use information. The conclusions and findings of the needs assessment are to be shared and used by the Tribe, IHS and ITCA to improve the health of the community.

The foregoing resolution was on July 18, 2001 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), (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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Secretary of the Tribal Council