

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

- WHEREAS**, the White Mountain Apache Tribe has assumed a leadership role in the restoration and revitalization of the Theodore Roosevelt School / Fort Apache Historic District and the development of the Fort Apache Historic Park, a district of immense local and national significance that includes the Theodore Roosevelt School, Geronimo's Cave, and Kinishba Ruins National Historic Landmark; and
- WHEREAS**, this leadership has been and is being exercised through the development and ongoing implementation of the *Master Plan for the Fort Apache Historic Park*, the *Fort Apache Survey and Assessment Report*, and the *Preservation Plan for Kinishba Ruins National Historic Landmark*; and
- WHEREAS**, the progress towards the repair and reuse of historic structures and districts has provided and will continue to provide numerous direct and indirect benefits for the White Mountain Apache Tribe, the State of Arizona, and the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS**, despite a decade of concerted collaboration with many partners, notably the World Monuments Fund, the National Park Service (NPS), the National Endowment for the Humanities, Arizona State Parks, Arizona Commission on the Arts, and the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation, the Fort Apache National Register Historic District remains acutely threatened by the lack of structural fire alarm and suppression systems in all historic buildings not currently in use by the Theodore Roosevelt School; and
- WHEREAS**, on behalf of the US Congress and the American people NPS administers the *Save America's Treasures* grant program for the preservation of threatened places of exceptional national significance; and
- WHEREAS**, the 1999 *Save America's Treasures* award of \$313,000 to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for the purpose of providing preservation treatments to buildings and grounds within the Fort Apache Historic District has been appropriately and efficiently expended for the purposes stated in the original proposal; and
- WHEREAS**, given the documented history of fires destroying at least 100 buildings at Fort Apache over the last 130 years, the loss to fire of other significant and irreplaceable buildings within the Historic District is not a matter of whether, but of when; and
- WHEREAS**, if awarded, the work proposed as a Save America's Treasures grant will be most

efficiently and expeditiously managed and utilized if placed under the direct and exclusive control of the White Mountain Apache Tribe; and

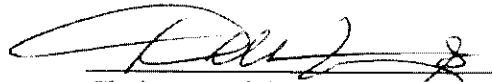
WHEREAS, NPS and BIA have agreed to place any awarded funds under the administrative control of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to customary means for administering federal grants.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Tribal Council and the Tribe's Historic Preservation Officer to enter into a grant agreement with NPS that will provide funding for fire protection preservation treatments to historic structures within the Fort Apache Historic District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, in cooperation with the Director of the Grants and Contracts Department, to manage all funding provided pursuant to the grant agreement and to make arrangements for the partnerships and contractors necessary to fulfill the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer to use available, non-federal grant and contract funds and donations and to seek additional funding required to match the grant funds provided through NPS and, if necessary, to utilize indirect costs, Tribal Employment Rights Office fees, bonding fees, and other Tribal administrative costs as matching funds to meet the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

The foregoing resolution was on February 22, 2002 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), (g), (h), (i), (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