

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

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Apache Agency Fire Management Program has funding for the purpose of the Southwest Fire Fighter (SWFF) Coordinating function which it currently operates through the Fort Apache Agency Fire Management support staff; and

WHEREAS, this mission serves the needs of the Tribe by providing coordination and management in the training, interagency cooperation and organization of SWFF crews for fire assignments both at local and national levels; and

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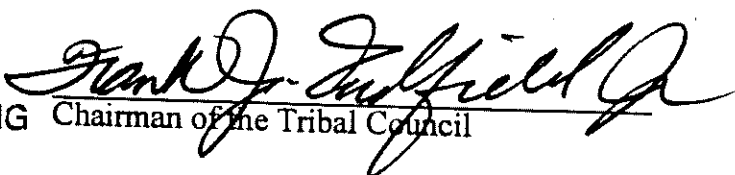
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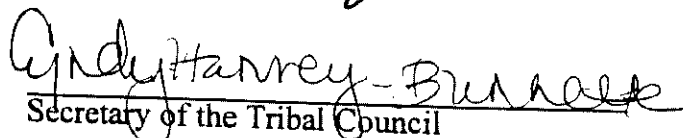
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Tribal Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, with the assistance of Tribal Forestry staff, to complete and sign the 638 contract application, final contract, and other documents necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on June 6, 2002 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), (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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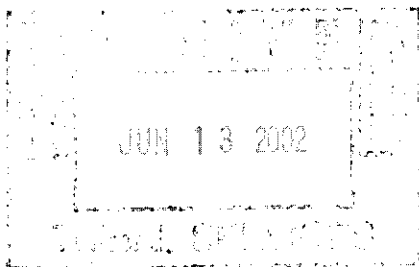
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