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

- WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the White Mountain Apache people maintain a proud tradition of honoring elders as sources of knowledge and wisdom to sustain Apache families, communities, and institutions; and
- WHEREAS, Arizona Indian Living Treasures Awards, Inc., a non-profit organization based in Phoenix, Arizona, and directed by board comprised of venerable leaders of Indian communities presided over by Emory Sekaquaptewa, maintains an awards program for recognizing Arizona American Indian elders who have honored themselves and their tribes through contributions to arts and culture; and
- WHEREAS Mrs. Eva Tulene Watt has distinguished herself as an artist, storyteller, elder, charter member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe Cultural Advisory Board, and keeper of vital wisdom and Apache family and sacred traditions--thus bringing great honor to herself, her family and clan, the Cibecue community, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the great Apache Nation.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby nominates Mrs. Eva Tulene Watt as an Arizona Indian Living Treasure.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby commends and directs efforts by the Tribe's Heritage Program to complete and submit the Award Nomination in collaboration with Mrs. Watt's family.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>April 16, 2003</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>SEVEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> 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