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

- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council has on this date been advised of the potential misuse of Federal and Tribal funds by the Housing Authority Executive Director; and
- WHEREAS, a public meeting by the Council was called to order by the Chairman to review the White Mountain Apache Housing activities; and
- WHEREAS, the Council addressed this matter in a session on May 6 and then convened a session on this date which consisted for a four-hour public meeting followed by executive session deliberation on this; and
- WHEREAS, during the public meeting the Council heard many comments, pro and con, in reference to the White Mountain Housing Activities and Programs; and
- WHEREAS, the Council finds that payment of Tribal Housing funds for a private matter is not appropriate; and
- WHEREAS, the misuse of Federal and Tribal funds is in violation of Federal and Tribal laws; and
- WHEREAS, this matter needs to be investigated by the Federal Government Authorities immediately; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, based upon the seriousness of these violations, concludes that the IPA between the Tribe and the BIA for the services of the Executive Director should be terminated.
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that the IPA between the Tribe and the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the services of Victor Velasquez as Executive Director of the Tribal Housing Authority shall be terminated effective this date and that Victor Velasquez be returned to the Western Regional Office and not be assigned to the Fort Apache Agency.

The foregoing resolution was on May 12, 2003 duly adopted by a vote of SIX for, THREE against and ONE abstention by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (b), (c), (h), (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

ACTING Secretary of the Tribal Council